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HAMAS is running in the Palestinian elections after all - albeit unofficially - by running a handful of members as independent Islam-

Meanwhile, the Interior Ministry announced yesterday that it had disqualified nearly 47% of the voters the Palestinian Authority had registered in eastern Jerusalem, saying the listings were either erroneous or constituted double plan, with emphasis on issues such as education, infrastructure, employment, housing, and immigrant absorption - the only comentries.

Four well-known Hamas activists declared on Saturday night that they were running as indepen-

Jerusalem Post Staff and Itim

Peres vows to help Ofakim

Earlier, dozens of workers from the Onman factory had demonstrated outside the Prime Minister's Office to protest plans to shut the plant. The demonstrators tried to march on the office, but were prevented from doing so by police. One demonstrator was arrested.

The workers expressed their dissatisfaction with th suggested solutions to their employment situation raised until now, saying that it was inconceivable for working motb-ers to be asked to traver long distances to work. They said they were demanding a local solution that would guarantee them work in Ofakim.

Meanwhile, Histadrut Chairman Amir Peretz announced that the Histadrut bad started a campaign among large workers' committees to convince them to bny 75,000 sweaters from the Ouman plant to keep it going for the next six months.

The Mishan old-age bome network agreed to bny 3,500 sweaters and Bezek, Israel Electric Corporation, Dead Sea Works, Knpat Holim Calilt, Histadrut, Israel Aircraft Industries, Bank Discount, Bank Hapoalim, and Israel Industries-TAAS workers have expressed interest in buying sweaters. Word was being awakted from the Defense Ministry about a plan to have it buy another 100,000 sweaters for the army.

Barak plays down progress in Syria talks

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DAVID RUDGE, LIAT COLLINS and HILLEL KUTTLER

placed as head of the delegation by Foreign Ministry Director-General Uri Savir.

"The report is just not true and never was true," Rabinovich said.

In Washington, the Israeli, Syrian, and American delegations are taking the long holiday weekend off prior to resuming negotiations

on Wednesday. The US will meet separately

with both sides tomorrow, Israeli officials said. In a meeting with a delegation from the Golan Residents Com-

mittee, Barak said that both sides "had yet to begin to talk about substance, and it will take more time to know whether there is a partner to negotiate with," a Foreign Ministry statement said.

"Even then, if negotiations open, they will be lengthy and complicated," it quoted Barak as

At the cabinet meeting, Peres according to an official briefing -reiterated his stand that the extent of peace would directly influence the extent of the withdrawal on the Golan Heights, and the timetable would depend on the quality of the peace.

He said the differences with Syria are largely over the type of peace and the extent of economic relations. Peres said that a peace agreement without economic sup-port would be a cold peace, like that with Egypt. He denied media reports that

demands or maps have been submitted to the US and denied aleged commitments made by Yitzhak Rabin.

Peres stressed the regional aspect of any peace agreement, differentiating between a "political" peace without Libya, Iran, and Iraq and a "strategic" peace which would include them.

He said no date had been set for the resumption of talks with Syrian military officers.

Peres also emphasized the "acute water problem," and said there could be no agreement endangering the country's water supply or Lake Kinneret.

The Syrian news agency SANA quoted chief negotiator Walid Mualem as saying the sides discussed a number of issues "with clarity and seriousness."

But he said: "No final understanding was reached on any of the subjects which were discussed."

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A breakthrough in the talks is unlikely in the near future, said Katzrin Local Council chairman (Continued on Page 4)

dents. This brings the number of known Hamas officials running in the election to five. Imad Falouji, editor of the Hamas weekly Al-Watan, declared his candidacy two

weeks ago. Ismail Haniye, an Islamic Uni-versity trustee, was one of the 400 Islamic extremists expelled to Lebanon in late 1992. Khaled el-Hindi is a treasurer of the Islamic University. Both were members of a reconciliation committee which met with Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat to pave the way for the failed Cairo talks last month between Hamas and the PA

Said Namrouti was jailed in Israel for Hamas activities and Nasser Muzaini is a lecturer at the Islamic University.

While Falouji was "officially" thrown out of Hamas by its leaders abroad, the other four have not been thrown ont, and in fact have the blessing of Hamas's spiritual leader, Sheikh Ahmed Yassin. Furthermore, the new candidates, by announcing their candidacy together, are essentially declaring themselves a bloc. Only the Palestinian People's Party has formed a larger bloc.

Hamas is thus doing what local left-wing opponents of Oslo did not dare do: defying the will of its leaders abroad.

The advantages to Hamas of op-erating through independents are clear. If they all win, they can act as a Hamas bloc. If they lose, the name of Hamas is not besmirched by their defeat, which can be blamed on their personal failures. And since they are not officially (Continued on Page 4)

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Labor Party claims to have 300,000 members SARAH HONIG

THE Labor Party last night claimed a record 300,000 duespaying members.

WE will solve the problem of Ofakim, and

I commit myself to this," Prime Minister Shimon Peres yesterday told representatives

of the Negev town, led by Mayor Micha

bringing entrepreneurs to Ofakim. The gov-

ernment is now helping some 132 business-

es, with 660 jobs - including ECI Telecom -

prepare to open in Ofakim. Peres promised that Ofakim will be in-

cluded in the special focused development

munity included in the plan out of dozens of

applicants.

Peres promised to personally deal with

Herman, who came to his office.

By contrast, the recently-con-cluded Likud membership drive yielded 200,000 members.

Labor concluded its drive last night and according to party secre-tary-general Nissim Zvilli, yester-day alone netted 90,000 new members.

Zvilli promptly phoned Prime Minister Shimon Peres to inform

him of the result of the drive, and Peres declared: "This is a mobilization for peace."

Peres denied that this would give him any reason to call early elections. "We received a mandate until October 29, 1996, and we plan to carry out our commitment," he said. However, Peres did not dis-count the possibility of calling ear-ly elections, saying "Of course, if (Continued on Page 9)

Shetreet repays his ministry for electioneering booklet

EVELYN GORDON and HAIM SHAPIRO

RELIGIOUS Affairs Minister Shimon Shetreet has agreed to re-pay the ministry NIS 10,000. which was spent to produce a booklet of election propaganda, the Movement for Quality Gov-ernment in Israel reported yesterday.

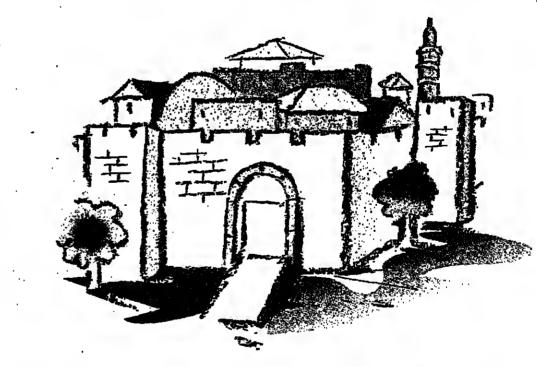
According to the movement, the booklet contained many pictures of Shetreet, quotes from him, and articles praising him. Though the booklet was produced and paid for by the ministry, it was distributed to some 3,000 Labor Party members who are expected to vote in the party's primaries.

The movement had sent a letter of complaint to Shetreet, noting that the use of ministry funds for election propaganda was not only unethical, but probably illegal. In response, Shetreet told the movement that he would repay the money. The movement expressed satisfaction at this decision. Ministry spokesman Ofer Amar said that the brochure had been

anned in good faith to describe the work of the ministry. After the movement had complained, Amar said, Shetreet asked the ministry's legal adviser to examine the brochure.

According to Amar, the legal adviser told Sbetreet that the printing of the brochure had been entirely within the law. However, Amar said, to make certain there would be no hint of wrongdoing, Shetreet decided to pay for it himself.





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Monday, January 1, 1996

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"Since we are talking about

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He said police were called and

memhers of a Border Police unit

came to the scene, but it took

them almost an hour to travel

from their command post nearly

Shabar said that tracks and

broken pieces of equipment were

found leading away from the

dairy towards the villages of Jila-

houn and Fakuwa, beyond the

The Jerusalem Post has learned

that at present there is only one

Border Police company, compris-

"In itself, this is a horrible blow

The Jerusalem Post

process to poest one party's pros-

pects. This is insufferable and a

democracy like the US should

make sure its taxpayers' doilars

It is outrageous, he said, that

"freedom from terrorism needs

to be bought for huge sums and

are not misused in this manner."

Peres: Legalize Palestinian workers LIAT COLLINS

AS many as 100.000 Palestinians are working within the Green Line, although only half of them have permits, Prime Minister Shimon Peres told the cahinet yesterday.

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Peres reportedly said that instead of "closing our eyes and pretending not to see them," a way should be found of legalizing those who work here anyway. He said these workers are worth \$600 million a year to the territories.

Peres's stand is not accepted hy all his ministers. Internal Security Minister Moshe Shahal supported it, but Labor and Social Affairs Minister Ora Namir and Agriculture Minister Ya'acov Tzur are opposed.

Peres emphasized that be advocates "a policy of separation hetween the peoples, but this does not mean a separation between territories." He urged greater dialogue between Israelis and Palestinians and "the use of incentives rather than fences."

He said the situation in Judea and Samaria is not like that in Gaza, and economic cooperation would work better than a fence. Peres said the government should

pay attention to the rightful demands of settlers on security and some construction issues.

The cabinet approved the hill on the implementation of the interim agreement. It deals with the legal aspects of various issues required to implement the agreement, such as allowing voting to take place at east Jerusalem post offices and changes in the judicial system to take into account Palestinian control of areas previously under the jurisdiction of the civil administration.

Peres continued his style of cabinet briefings rather than meetings. The chess clock Peres and Cabinet Secretary Sbimon Hollander had begun hringing to cabinet meetings to keep ministers' presentations short will no longer be brought to them, after it achieved "the desired educa-tional effect," a source in the Prime Minister's Office said.

Peres has ordered the drawing up of a document similar to Britain's Official Secrets Act which inner cahinet memhers would have to sign in an attempt to stop leaks from cabinet meetings.

Director-general of PM's Office resigns

ZVI Alderoti, the director-gener- of this month. al of the Prime Minister's Office, resigned yesterday after seven time friend and political ally of months in the post. He will re- the late Yitzhak Rabin, will be main in the position until the end returning to the business world.

Alderoti, considered a long-

With deep sorrow, we announce the passing of our beloved LILIAN (Sara Leah) PORT The funeral took place in New York, on Friday, December 29, 1995 (Tevet 6, 5756) Shiva is being observed at her sisters' homes: Marlon Hillson, 17 Hameginim, Herzliya Pituah Frieda Friedman, Nofei Yerushalayim, Shahrai 25, Jerusalem

With sorrow, we moum the passing of LOTTE LOEWENTHAL

née Bennigson The family Michael Loewenthal His wife, Dorothy and their children, David and Haley (New Jersey)

set to take up "Labor's plan to spend hundreds of millions of dollars on buying a false temporary peace from the PLO in order to influence the results of the upcoming elections." Landau was reacting to a weekend interview in Mninriv with Housing Minister Binyamin Ben-Eliezer in which Ben-Eliezer sutt

LtKUD executive bureau chair-

man MK Uzi Landau has submit-

ted an urgent motion to the Knes-

boasted that Labor has a plan to guarantee it 50 Knesset seats in the next elections.

We will reach an arrangement with Yasser 'Arafat," he said. "He will not allow a single Palestinian into Israeli territory for the next 10 months. The economic compensation for this, to the tune of a quarter of a hillion dollars. will be transferred to him hy us from American money. The reis that until the elections

SARAH HONIG

Uzi Landau slams Ben-Eliezer 'false peace' plan

there will be no terrorist attacks, we will win big, and thereby Arafat, from his point of view, will get a considerable advantage toward the permanent settlement. which will also answer our interests."

Landau called this an "attempt to mobilize those whose interests are inimical to those of the State of Israel to decide the next elections

Sabotage of dairy leads to call for better security DAVID RUDGE guards patrolling the kihhuiz

period.

perpetrators.

Green Line.

20 kilometers away.

BEIT She'an Valley Regional Council head Yigal Shahar yesterday called for beefed-up security in the area to prevent nationalistic attacks on Jewish communities inside the Green Line by Palestinians from northera Samaria.

His call followed the destruction early yesterday morning of computerized milking equipment at the dairy of Kibbutz Merrav on Mt. Gilboa.

"This was an act of terrorism which, in terms of motivation, could be compared to Hizbullah firing Katyusha rockets on Kiryat Shmona," said Shahar.

"They didn't use rockets but the destruction was still extensive, with the damage running to between NIS 600,000 and NIS 700,000, because all the equipment will have to be replaced," he said.

"The big problem is that today it was the dairy and all the milking equipment, but tomorrow it might be a kindergarten," said Shahar.

the dairy was attacked between 10 p.m. Saturday and around 2 a.m. yesterday. There were

Peres: No deals with Syria limiting action against Hizbullah

with Syria limiting military operations against Hizbullah, Prime Minister Shimon Peres told a delegation of Kiryat Shmona city councillors, led hy Mayor Prosper Azran, yesterday.

Nevertheless, he intimated that any major action against Hizbullah is unlikely at this stage, although lbere are appropriate contingency plans if it continues attacks on the Galilee.

ing around 100 border policemen, covering the area along the Green Line in the Ha'amakim district, an area which stretches for 72 kilometers. This means on any given shift, there are only 20 to 25 officers patrolling the area. Most of the area is open countryside, which is very easy for attackers or vandals to penetrate.

The government is continuing to discuss ways of improving security in the area, including the possibility of increasing the number of police and Border Police units in the area, sources said.

> Jerusalem demo for release of Kiryat Arba man

HERB KEINON

CHANTING "Free Shmuel Cytryn," a group of about 200 people marched yesterday from central Jerusalem to the American Consulate, and then to the President's Residence, to demonstrate against Cytryn's imprisonment.

Cytryn, 37, is a Kiryat Arba resident who was placed in three months' administrative detention on December 4. He is married

Shabar said it appeared that DAVID RUDGE yat Shmona. THERE are no understandings

During their visit to the zone. the MKs also heard from South Lehanese Army officers about the concern of zone residents regarding their future in the event of an arrangement between Israel

and Syria. During the meeting with Peres, Azran pressed for government

for a specified period only, just until me elections." is is an attempt to deceive the voters into believing that full peace has finally come he said. Begin: PLO-Hamas

agreement allowing attacks should halt peace process

LIAT COLLINS

AN agreement between the PLO and Hamas under which Hamas will be able to continue attacks on Israel is reason for the government to halt the peace process. MK Ze'ev Binvamin Begin (Likud) said vesterday.

He said the agreement will allow Hamas to carry out attacks anywhere except Area A towns.

He said that in Aoril 1994. Yitzhak Rabin told the Knesset plenum that if there was such a Hamas-PLO agreement, "there will not be an agreement with Israel."

Begin also claims that Selim Za'anoun, the PLO's tepresentative at the talks with Hamas, said in Amman a few days ago that the Palestinian Authority is satisfied at this stage with the Hamas promise not to embarrass the PA by acts in the areas under PA control.

Za'anoun reportedly said that the PA is not Israel's protector. and the best way for Israel to prevent Hamas attacks would be to speedily withdraw from the rest of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

嗄 YAD VASHEM, Martyrs' and Heroes' Remembrance Authority The Directorate of Yad Vashem and the Council for Memorializing Righteous Gentiles announce in sorrow the death of ANDRZEY CYCZ A Righteous Gentile from Poland May his memory be a blessing.

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PALESTINIAN Authority

Chairman Yasser Arafal yester-

day called on Kalkilya residents

to establish "good neighborly re-

lations" with Israelis, and in Tul-

karm he promised that a Palestin-

Palestinian Authority Chairman Yasser Arafat poses with hands

above his head as he speaks to thousands in Tulkarm yesterday.

Arafat tells Kalkilya:

Be neighborly with Israel

JON IMMANUEL

Presidents' Conference

censures ZOA over ad

MARILYN HENRY

NEW YORK

reception.

Arafat's visit to the two towns just across the Green Line, only 12 kilometers apart, completed his tour of the six towns from which the IDF agreed to redeploy before Palestinian elections.

"You are living in a strategic location. I ask you, protect and respect good neighborly relations with the Israelis who are living near you," he told a crowd of thousands in Kalkilya.

Many in the town of 25,000 cheered, but fear that Israelis will not return to shop in the town. Despite Arafat's arrival, little had been done to put on a bright

THE Conference of Presidents of

Major American Jewish Organi-

zations has censured the Zionist

Organization of America for

what some are calling an attempt

to sabotage the pro-Israel rally

In a letter to ZOA head Mor-

ton Klein last week, conference

chairman Leon Levy said the

ZOA's behavior was "unaccept-

able" and its conduct was

Conference leaders stressed

that the censure was not intended

to stifle dissent or to impose

At issue was a full-page adver-

tisement that the ZOA and the

National Council of Young Israel

placed in The New York Times

only days before the December

10 rally in Madison Square Gar-

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held last month in New York.

economics. Kalkilya is desperately poor and dependent on work in Israel. Hours after Arafat left, the town appeared to have shut down. Many shopkeepers say they do not do enough business to

make staying open worthwhile. Arafat's Tulkarm speech was closer to his traditional addresses on these occasions. "They said Gaza first, but I say a Palestinian state first and last ... We are marching towards sacred Jerusalem." he said.

face. A few banners and a few

strings of flags across the streets

and on isolated shops contrasled

sharply with the liveliness and

colorfulness of the Tulkarm

Arafat returned to Gaza by belicopter. Today, be is to commemorate Fatab Day, marking the first announcement of armed action against Israel by the organization 31 years ago.

den. "What the Jewish people

need now is unity, not partisan

The two groups declined to

participate in the rally because no

your action was inappropriate."

have received a similar letter.

Tal will be promoted to admiral as be takes over the post to-

day. He was born in the former

USSR in 1946 and participated in

the operation to bring embargoed

missile boats to Israel from Cher-

bourg in 1969. He served as com-

mander of several navy bases and

as deputy commander of the

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politics," the ad said.

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Peres said there are no policies preventing Israel from operating in Lebanon. But he stressed that the best interests of residents of the North are the guiding factors in determining the policy regarding military action in Lebanon.

Azran demanded action to ensure peace and security in the North, following Hizbullah's latest round of Katyusha attacks, which caused property damage estimated at NIS 2 million-NJS 3m.

Meanwhile, members of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defense Committee visited the security zone yesterday and met with soldiers there. They later inspected the Katyusha damage in Kir-

Grenade thrown at Israeli in Bethlehem HERB KEINON

- A STUN grenade was thrown at an Israeli vehicle in Bethlehem last night, less than 24 hours after four firebombs were thrown at an Israeli car using the new road to bypass the city.

"We can't win," said Roni member of the opposition would Lottner, of Jerusalem's Gilo secbe speaking. However, they did tion. Lottner, who was driving not specifically call for a boycott. alone, said the grenade was Nonetbeless, that is how many thrown at his car soon after he passed Rachel's Tomb, nn his way Levy's letter to Klein, which to Efrat. He said the grenade exhad the endorsement of the ploded in front of the car, causing 'chairmen's circle," the former ao damage. leaders of the conference, called on the ZOA "to recognize that

The night before, four firebombs were thrown at a car no the new hypass road near Batir, Young Israel is helieved to an IDF official reported. Nn ininries or damage were reported.

Lottner said he decided to drive Tal appointed OC Navy on the old road through Bethle-VICE-ADMIRAL Alex Tal was hem because it is a faster way for appointed OC Navy yesterday by Chief of General Staff Lt.-Gen. Gilo residents to travel to Gash Etzion. The old road is accessible Amnon Lipkin-Sbahak, replacdirectly from Gilo, while to get to ing Adm. Ami Ayalon, who is leaving the IDF after 32 years of the new road, Gilo residents have to travel a few extra minutes to Malha.

CORRECTION

The party Wednesday for the new edition of Barbara Sofer's Kids Love Israel, Israel Loves Kids, and photographer Karen Benzian's exhibit "Kids on Tour," is by invitation, and not as announced in Friday's In Jerusniem.

aid to boost industry and infrastructure in the city, reduce municipal taxes, and make land available for hnild-your-ownhome projects.

Fighting continued in the zone, as Hizbullah released a videotape of what it said was Saturday's Sagger missile attack on an IDF armored personnel carrier in which two soldiers were wounded. The tape showed the track of the missile as it sped from the launcher and hit the APC with a flash. There was doubt, bowever, as to whether the incident shown was Saturday's.

Chief of General Staff Lt.-Gen. Amnon Lipkin-Shahak also briefed the cahinet on security issues, including the Katyusha attacks. He reportedly favors a hard-hitting military response.

and the father of five children. His sentence was recently commuted to two months hy a military tribunal. "I am here because I am con-

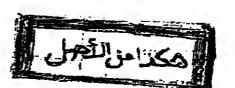
cerned about Israel's demoeracy," said former prisoner of Zion Yosef Mendelevitch. "I don't understand how you can imprison a man witbout giving him the chance to defend himself."

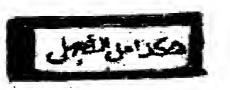
Neither Cytryn nor his lawyer have been told why be is being beld. A petition to the High Court of Justice on the matter is scheduled to be heard tomorrow.

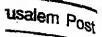
Nadia Matar, the head of the Women in Green, which organized the protest on Cytryn's behalf, told the gathering that Cytryn is heing held in solitary confinement for 23 hours of the day.

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Road death every 18¹/₂ hours in '95

A PERSON was injured every 14 minutes and killed every 181/2 hours in traffic accidents last vear.

Surprisingly, the year was marked hy a drop in the number of traffic fatalities.

There were 515 traffic fatalities through December 15, compared to 542 for the all of 1994. The number of injuries was up, from 35,562 to 37,225, according to figures released by the police yesterday at a Jerusalem press conference. Police, together with the IDF

and the non-profit citizes's group The World Belongs to-the Careful, also announced a one day crackdown on traffic accidents. today.

The crackdown, part of a joint campaign entitled "A Quiet Day. on the Roads," is to involve some 1,100 policemen and 400 patrol cars nationwide.

loternal Security Minister Moshe Shahal said the campaign aims to demonstrate bow traffic police will be operating in another five years, after receiving additional manpower, and is part of a

BILL HUTMAN

year-long effort to improve awareness about safe driving. Shahal and Inspector-General with the problem," Shahal said. Assaf. Heferr had no explanation for why the Transport Ministry's cidents is poor driving, and this Road Safety Authority is not inwill be a major focus of the effort volved in the campaign. to deal with the issue. Jewish Agency Chairman Av-

In recent weeks, there have been reports of strong differences. between the police and the antherity on how to crack down on accidents

"The statistics for 1995, which sures peeded to contain traffic acshow despite more cars on the cidents.

roads, more drivers, and more "I call on the government to kilometers of roads, traffic acciimmediately announce that it will deots were down, demonstrate commit the necessary funding." that action can be taken to deal Burg said.

Some 18,000 seats - covering He said the major cause of acnine dunams - representing the number killed in traffic accidents since 1948, have been set up at Kibbutz Ga'ash to demonstrate the toll taken. raham Burg, and one of the citi-

"If people were being killed zen's group's heads, said it would every day in terrorist attacks, the cost the government some \$30 politicians wouldn't be sitting as quietly as they are today." said Yitzhak Shrem, who heads the group.

Traffic accidents involving army vehicles drop sharply

ON LEVY

TRAFFIC accidents involving army vehicles reached their lowest level in 15 years in 1995, with an 18 percent drop in fatal accidents and a 46% decline in those involving moderate or serious injuries, the IDF announced yesterday.

OC Manpower Branch Maj.-Gen. Gideon Sheffer said in an Order of the Day issued to mark National Traffic Safety Day that the efforts made by the army to reduce accidents had borne fruit and proved that "it is possible to prevent accidents, reduce the number of dead and injured, and save lives."

He added that two main factors had contributed to the reduction in accidents: commanders' greater involvement in checking the condition of drivers and vehicles, and the increased personal responsibility of drivers, who took it upon themselves to drive safely.

Court to rule on right to die

RAINE MARCUS

DOCTORS were barred yesterday by the Tel Aviv District Court from connecting two terminally ill patients to artificial respirators until a final ruling on their appeal on the matter is handed down this week.

The two, a former combat pilot in his forties and a pensioner, 60, had asked the court to allow them to "die with dignity and in peace."

Their atto. ney, Yitzhak Hoshen, said they do not wish their lives to be artificially prolonged. They are partially paralyzed and cannot feed themselves, be said. "These terminally ill patients

should be given the choice whether they should live or die," Hoshen told Army Radio. "It should be their decision and others should not choose for them, and their families should respect their wish to die, if continuing to live is accompanied by agony and brings the quality of life to a minimum."

Hoshen added that he has formed a committee to call for. legislation to give terminally ill patients the right to choose their own destiny. "In all cases I have represented, no matter what was handed down. no terminally ill patient is alive



Prime Minister Shimon Peres and Tourism Minister Uzi Baram yesterday present a bronze symbol of peace to Rev. Carolyn Headley, the country's 2.5 millionth tourist in 1995.

Plane does U-turn and boy gets a heart at Sheba Hospital

TWO youngsters underwent organ transplants at Sheba Hospital yesterday: a 12-year-old boy with cystic fibrosis became the first child to undergo a living transplant

here, and a 15-year-old boy on his way to Belgium for a heart tomsmid-flight when a heart became available in Haifa.

JUDY SIEGEL

ation in which part of a parent's hour operation, led by Dr. Alon lung would be transplanted into the boy. But over the weekend, a plant who was brought back in . bam Hospital, and Sheba doctors centers abroad and one in Bels

It was the first time that doctors transplanted two lungs into a single patient. The five-

the voluctary organizatioo Ezer Mizion, the boy left in a flying Yellin, was successful. ambulance after Shabbat. But in The secood boy's physicians, mid-flight, the pilot was instruct-

family donated the organs of Dr. Hanoch Hod and Dr. Ya'a- ed to turn-back, as a suitable their deceased relative, at Ram- cov Lavie, contacted transplant heart was found in Haifa. The plane at 2:30 a.m. on Sun-

waiting list, expecting many rectiv to She ater. He was in stable condition

With the logistics arranged by.

Cleric from Oxford feted as year's 2.5 millionth tourist HAIM SHAPIRO

WHEN Rev. Carolyn Headley sive wave of Israelis going heard that Prime Minister Shiabroad. mon Peres wanted to fete her as "That shows that more and Israel's 2.5 milliouth tourist of more Israelis are taking two or the year, she thought that some-

one was playing a joke on her.

ing with a group of 30 of her students. Yesterday, she received

a bronze symbol of Peace Tour-

ism Year from Peres and Tourism

Minister Uzi Baram at the Prime

"At first I thought it was a

practical joke by my students.

Then, when they started making

all the arrangements, I thought

that they were either very clever

or it was the real thing," she told

The group has already visited

Beersheba and Arad. They were

in Jerusalem over the weekend

and are planning to go to Galilee.

While in Jerusalem, the group

visited Bethlehem under Pales-

She said that during her last

visit, in July, she had felt the ten-

sion. Now, she said, there is a

ceremony.

tinian rule.

Minister's Office in Jerusalem.

more vacations," Baram said. He pointed out that the aver-Headley, an Anglican priest age tourist spends \$1,300 here, of who teaches at a theological colwhich 80% was value added. lege in Oxford, is presently visit-

The greatest number of tourists, 1.5 million, came from Europe, an increase of 15%. About 550,000 came from North America, a 20% jump largely due, Baram said, to intensified promotional efforts in the southern US.

Tourism from Asia surged by 50% to more than 200,000. The most impressive showing, Baram noted, was in South Korea, whose 20,000 tourists marked a 45% rise. From South America, there were 30,000 tourists from Brazil, 84% more than in 1994.

There were 27,000 visitors from Egypt, up 34%, and 85,000 from Jordan, up 300%. From Turkey, there were 12,000 visitors, which Baram characterized as insignificant compared with the oumber of Israelis visiting that country.

Asked to predict future trends, Baram was hesitant. The ministry, he said, had actually forecast

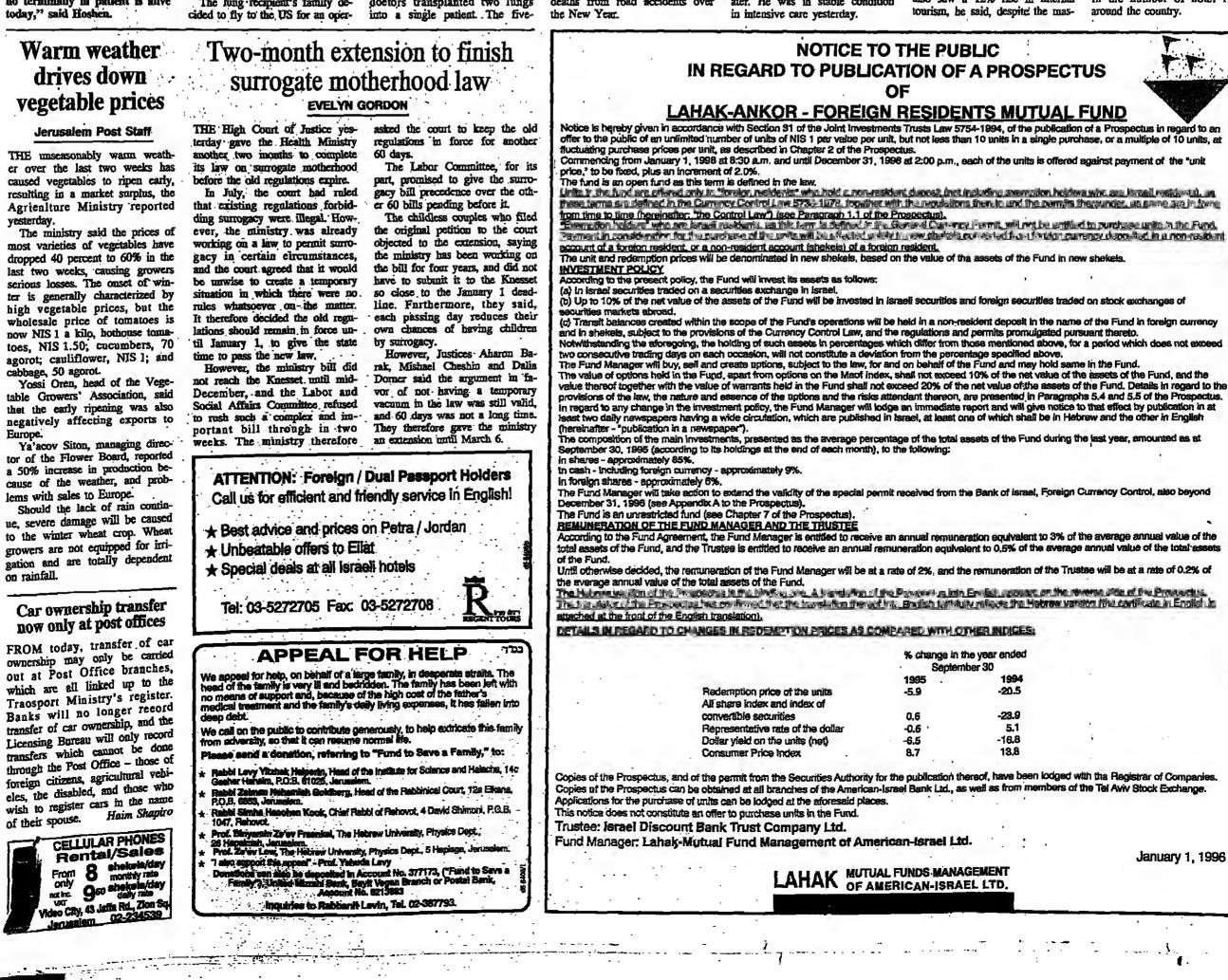
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feeling of celebration. Following the presentation, 2.5 million visitors only by 1997. Baram said, that the 2.5 million - But, he said, it would be impossitourists in 1995 are a 15 percent , ble to have a further significant increase over 1994, which had rise in the oumber of tourists also been a record year. Last year without a commensurate increase also saw a 12% rise in internal in the number of hotel rooms tourism, he said, despite the mas- around the country.

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deaths from road accidents over



WORLD NEWS

Tanks roll into Bosnia as US completes bridge

MARK HEINRICH

ORASJE, Bosnia

US engineers beat wintry storms to finish an epic pontoon bridge over the river Sava yesterday. allowing tank-led troop columns to roll into Bosnia over a million dollars worth of gravel.

Soon after the much-delayed bridge was completed, the first army vehicles rumbled past a sign saying "Welcome to Bosnia" and crossed the river, which forms the border with Croatia.

Completion of the stainless steel and aluminium hridge meant America's mighty First Armored Division - the 20th century cavalry - was set to move in at last, establishing bases in Serb-held territory. backed by awesome firepower.

Soldiers from both banks of the river met in the middle of the main 370-meter bridge and raised their hands to celebrate an operation dogged by floods, mud. snow and

Residents of the nearby Bosnian town of Orasje gathered on the river bank to welcome the Americans quietly, but asked why NATO arrived only after nearly four years of civil war.

... "I am very happy the Americans have come. It's the first time I can sleep peacefully at night," said 55-year-old retired electriciam Nihad Mehmedalic. But he said; "They should have come earlier. That way many lives could have been saved."

Jeep-style Humvees and tracked necovery vehicles were first across, and a short time later Abrams tanks started creeping over the river at the regulation speed of 8 kph.

As darkness fell, the operation halted for the night. Army spokesman Captain Robert Hastings said 400 troops and about 155 vehicles had crossed, including eight



The first US tank to arrive in Bosnia crosses the pontoon bridge across the River Sava yesterday as a sign next to the bridge reads: 'Welcome to Bosnia.' NATO now hopes to move in much of the 20,000-strong US force which is a part of the IFOR force entering the war-ravaged country. (AP)

Abrams and 26 Bradley Fighting Vehicles, which look like tanks but have smaller guns.

The hridge, altogether stretching 600 meters, is the American military's biggest operational structure since crossing the Rhine at the German town of Remagen on a 400-meter bridge as the Allies advanced on Hitler's Berlin in 1945.

tional "Te Deum" end of year ves-

pers in the Jesuit St Ignatius

Pope John Paul was unable to

say Christmas Day mass a week ago and later the same day he

dramatically cut short his tradi-

tional "Urbi et Orbi" address,

which is televised live worldwide,

because of a sudden bout of

Church in central Rome.

Made up of 85 segments, it will be partly dismantled each night to allow barges and flotsam through. Gravel worth \$1 million was used to build access roads and

shore up an island. "I think we bought every piece of gravel in Croatia to set this bridge up," said an army spokesman. The welcome for US troops was

muted. But one ciderly woman

slithered down the icy river bank to offer soldiers a fiery Balkan liquor. When they politely declined the offer - GIs are not allowed to

drink on duty - the locals roared with laughter. The Americans will secure the potholed road to the US head-Tuzla. quarters in Tuzia, a major Bosnian artery before the war.

The bridgebuilders not only battled the predictable snow and ice, but also the worst floods in 25 years when a sudden thaw set in and submerged their riverside camp on Thursday.

The bridge creates a vital last link in a corridor stretching from US supply bases in Germany to

(Reuter)

No deal to reopen US government as year ends

WASHINGTON (Reuter) - Senate leaders failed yesterday to reach agreement on a plan to end a 16-day partial US government shutdown and allow 280,000 employees to return to work.

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Leaders promised to try again when the Senate returns to work tomorrow.

Both Republican Leader Bob Dole and Democratic leader Thomas Daschle each proposed solutions without any real hope that the other would accept them. Both voiced regret at the impasse and expressed hope that a solution would be found next week

The brief Senate session followed a further meeting at the White House between President Bill Clinton and congressional leaders of both parties to work out a seven-year balanced budget

The Jerusalem Post

deal. Dole said those negotiations had made some progress but were "a long way from any solution vet.

About 280,000 government employees have been off work because of the budget impasse. Dole said had said earlier the

two sides were very close to making a deal sending federal employces back to their desks without pay, although with the promise that they would get back pay later. House Republicans object to fully re-opening the government without a final budget deal, so the employees would have no authority to spend money. That would leave thousands of federal contractors out of work, with no prospect of getting back pay.

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WORLD BRIEFS

S. African flood death toll rises to 145 DURBAN (Reuter) - South African rescue workers recovered 10 more victims of Christmas Day floods yesterday. bringing the death toll to 145, police said.

The bodies were found along the river in the KwaZulu-

Natal province city of Pietermaritzburg. More victims were believed to be buried under mud and rubble left by the flood which tore houses apart, uprooted trees and destroyed 11 bridges.

Government and private organisations were helping survivors sheltering in community halls waiting for tent villages to be set up.

Kashmir hostages sighted – agency

NEW DELHI (Reuter) - Four Western tourists held hostage by guerrillas in the troubled northern Indian state of Jammu and Kashmir were sighted last week in Anantnag district in southern Kashmir, the United News of India (UNI) said yesterday.

The UNI quoted reports from Jammu, the winter capital of Jammu and Kashmir, saying that the hostages were accompanied hy about 20 armed men and were wearing warm clothes, and looked healthy. No further details were given.

American Donald Hutchings, German Dirk Hasert and Britons Keith Mangan and Paul Wells were kidnapped by Al-Faran militants while trekking in the mountains of southern Kashmir in early July.

A fifth hostage, Norwegian Hans Christian Ostroe, was found beheaded on August 13 in a remote Kashmiri forest.

Gale strands ferry passengers in Irish Sea LONDON (Reuter) - More than 1,300 passengers were stranded oo two ferries in the Irish Sea yesterday after rough weather prevented docking at the Welsb port of Holyhead for nearly 24 hours, coastguards said. The ferries *Hibernia* and *The Isle of Innisfre* had beeo due

in Holyhead by lunchtime oo Saturday after leaving Irish ports in the early morning, Britain's Sky televisioo and the Press Association news agency said,

"We have

Healthy pope appears in public VATICAN CITY (Rester) the window above the crowd. Later he officiated at the tradi-

influenza.

Pope John Paul, apparently fully recovered from a bout of fin that spoiled his Christmas program, made two public appearances yesterday as part of New Year celebrations.

During the morning, thousands of well-wishers gathered in pouring rain in St Peter's square at the -Vatican to hear the pontiff.

-: A huge cheer had greeted the .75-year-old pope as he appeared in

Mandela: SA stable but crime too high

JOHANNESBURG (Reoter) - South Africa was more stable in 1995 than at any other time in its history but soaring crime was still "unacceptably high", President Nelson Mandela said yesterday.

.; "We have achieved the highest levels of social, political and eco-

Tory: Up to seven more MPs

ready to desert Major

LONDON (Reuter) - Prime Min-ister John Major could find himself forced from office by further defections of MPs from his Conservative Party unless he changes tack, one of the ruling party's leg-

islators said yesterday. Pro-European Hugh Dykes predicted up to seven more Conserva-tive members of parliament will consider quitting the party unless it abandons night-wing policies and steers for the center ground.

The warning follows in the wake of Friday's dramatic defection of MP Emma Nicholson to the mi-

nority Liberal Democrats. Nicholson's move cut Prime

But be added: "I do unhappily have to say that I think there are about six or seven potentially who will move away unless the government returns to the moderate centre.

Major's government, elected in 1992 with a majority of 21 in the House of Commons, has seen that margin whittled away.

The main cause is by-election defeats, but the most bruising reason is two defections - that of moderate Alan Howarth to the opposition Labor Party in October, and that of Nicholson.

Nicholson's move has provoked speculation that Major could be forced to call a general electioo

Pro-European former Conser-

vative Prime Minister Sir Edward

Heath also fears more legislators

will emulate her. "Others may be

tempted to follow the same

course, thus precitating a general election," he wrote in the Mail on

But candidacies can be appealed

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In addition, there are three from

the Islamic Struggle Movement

and five from "the Islamic Jihad-

Al Aksa Brigades," who support

Yasser Arafat and are not to be

confused with the extremist Islam-

The Interior Ministry said yes-

terday that of the 91,148 entries on

voter lists the PA had submitted to

it in two batches last month, ap-

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well-known Hamas activists brings

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Sunday newspaper.

Algeria's youngest premier takes office

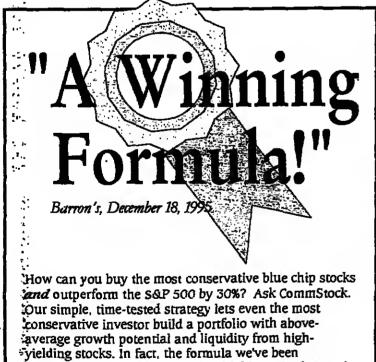
PARIS (Reuter) - Algerian Pres-ideot Liamine Zeroual yesterday appointed a young skilful negoti-ator, Ahmed Onyahia, as prime minister to replace Mokdad Sifi who becomes a state minister, a presidential statement said.

Ouyahia, a 43-year-old career diplomat, was the presideot's head of cahinet from early 1994 after Zeroual was appointed as head of state, a positioo Zeroual consolidated in Algeria's first

nomic stanuity in the history of our gallon. Never before have so Africans acted in unison as they have done on the past year," Mandela vsaid in his New Year's message.

.! Mandela said South Africa's post-apartheid democracy was "grow-, ing from strength to strength" after the country's all-race elections in April 1994 which ushered in hlack majority rule.

1. But Mandela said crime in still remained unacceptably high. During 1995, crime escalated sharply in the country. A serious crime is committed every 17 seconds in South Africa which is considered hy human rights groups as the most dangerous country in the world outside a war zone.



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m ndol ty or's naruamen tary majority to five, prompting speculation that he will soon need the support of Northern Ireland's polls. Protestant MPs to keep his goveroment afloat.

The majority of five assumes that Richard Body, an anti-Euro-pean who has formally resigned from the Conservative partiamen-tary party hut backs Major on most other issues, is still counted among the Prime Minister's supporters.

Dykes, speaking on BBC Ra-dio, said he personally was deter-mined to stay within the Conservative Party "and fight for what I think are the right policies".

HAMAS

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ISSUES.

(Continued from Page 1) representing Hamas, Hamas is under un obligation in forswear violence, the key cause of the failure of the Cairo talks. El-Hindi said after officially reg-

istering as a candidate last night that the decision to run was more a social than a political decision. "We have no disagreement with Hamas's position not to participate in the elections. We also oppose [the elections] politically, but we choose to participate in national construction," he said.

"The next stage needs the efforts of everybody," said Haniye. Muzaini said he was only representing his "large clan."

All three are running in Gaza City, from which 12 nf the 88 council members will be elected.

Namrouti, who will run in Khan Ynnis, said "we are raising the banner of dealing with reality." Candidate registration, which

reopened for a day to accommodate new applications following the decision last week to increase the number of council seats from 83 to 88, closed again last night.

A total of 49,915 entries were verified and approved. The ministry stressed that approval of the list which was verified

constitutes confirmation that those entered in it are entitled to participate in the elections for the Palestinian Authority.

BARAK

entries.

Sammy Bar-Lev, after participating in the meeting with Barak. "Anyone who believes that a speedy agreement is in the offing,

doesn't know what he's talking about," he said.

the meeting is that the matter is very complex and that there are very important issues on the agen-

From what we understand, the talks up to now have dealt only with procedural matters...This is only the beginning of the beginning, so there is no need for anybody in panic or even think of the possibility of any of our communities being harmed."

Ber-Lev said Barak had promised to stay in touch and update the Golan residents on the peace talks and any major da and that the whole process is - developments.

tion on November 16.

next year, despite a current 30 per-cent lead for Labor in the opinion The new prime minister won a reputation as a skilful oegotiator as broker of a peace accord which An election is not due until May in 1993 ended warfare in neighbouring Mali between govern-Nicholson cited a rightward shift ment and Tnaregs guerrillas in party policy, particularly on the European Union and on social sceking more autonomy from the central administation.

He took over on yesterday evening following an official handing over ceremony in the government heaquarters in Algiers.

Ouyahia is the youngest prime minister in Algeria's history. Political sources said Zeroual had earlier entrusted Ouyahia with carrying ont several rounds of dialogue with opposition parties which had given him a wide and deep knowledge of Algeria's complicated political arena and the aspirations of Moslem fundamentalists battling to overthrow the anthorities.

coastguard Geoff Lunt.

"They have been out there for about 21 hours so I imagine it must oot be too pleasant, especially for anyone who is seasick." he said.

The ferries docked safely later in the day when weather conditions improved.

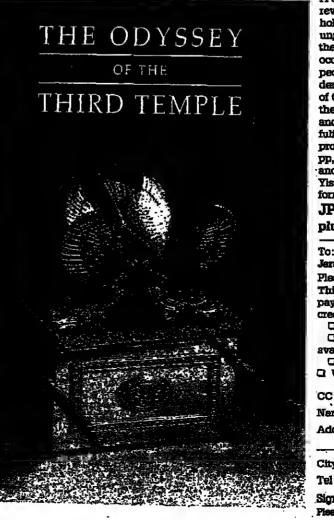
The Hibernia had 768 passengers aboard and The Isle of Innisfre was carrying 562.

Internet user banned for spreading kiddy porn AMSTERDAM (AP) - An Internet subscriber lost his oo-line access after he scanned hundreds of pornographic pictures of

children onto the computer oetwork, police said on Saturday. The Amsterdam-hased Internet provider Xs4all said it was the first time it has cut off a user for spreading child pornography on the 'net. The date of the shutoff wasn't available.

The subscriber was disconnected before police could track him down and arrest him, police spokesman Klaas Wilting said, adding that the investigation continues.

Pornographic material involving people mder 16 is illegal in the Netherlands, and that law applies to the Internet as well. Wilting said

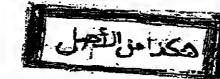


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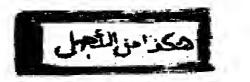
Piease list gift recipients names separately.



likely to be very lengthy," he said. (Continued from Page 1)

as the media seem to be indicating,

"The impression we had from





ACK Shepherd got a very nice going-away gift. Just two weeks before he brought his The One Tree Company and Sector allows Chasing the Moment here, the WELCH play won the UK Time Out Award for the best fringe play of

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It had already won Best Fringe at the 1995 Edinhurgh Festival. so playwright and actor Shepherd was understandably pleased because he had written it. He also stars in it as Les Padmore, leadet of a jazz quartet. Once friends as well as col-

leagues, the members of his troupe have grown apart over the years and now they meet only on stage. "I wrote the play for the oth-

ers, not for me," he says over the phone from his home in the London suhurb of Forest Hill, "but after our studio production at the National Theater last year, I realized that there aren't very many who can play piano and act, so I did it myself." The other actors, and most of

them have been professional musicians, include musical director Paul Stacy, whom Shepherd describes as a world-class guitarist, saxophonist Darrell D'Silva and Harry Mossman on hass.

Actually, playgoers get a bo-nus in this show hecause most of the jamming goes on during intermission. They play pieces by musicians such as Sonny Rollins and the late great John Coltrane.

A walk

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FILM REVIEW

ADINA HOFFMAN

A MAN OF NO

IMPORTANCE

HELEN KAYE Chasing the Moment, Shepherd says, is mainly "about musicians' self-destructive tendencies." It started life, however, as a play that would attract the largely black community in Peckham to the same theater where Shepherd's Time Out Award winning In Lambeth (1990) had been playing. They, did come. "but only towards the end of the

run," Shepherd admits. In Lambeth is a three character play that pits poet William Blake against revolutionary Tom Paine, and "it's the first totally written play I've done."

Born and brought up in Leeds, Shepherd, 55, made the decision to become a professional actor right after be graduated with a bachelor's degree in fine arts from the University of Newcastle. He went to London's Central School of Speech and Drama and graduated in 1965.

Like so many British actors, Shepherd happily and successful-hy shntiles between stage and TV. He plays mostly intense, driven types like Teach in David Mamet's American Buffalo and Tony Roma in Glengarry Glen Ross, for which he won Best Actor in 1986.

On TV he's worked for more than 20 years with Trevor Griffiths; Danton in Griffiths's Hope in the Year Two is also a favorite role. He also plays the title role in a TV cop series called Wycliffe. "I'm an intense, driven type,"



Jack Shepherd's play shows musicians as self-destructive.

he says hlandly, "so the roles suit me, but I do have my placid moments.

These are spent at home with his second wife, film-producer Anne Scott. Shepherd is a handson father to his five children who are "all growing up now."

He's loved jazz "from the beginning. I started on clarinet and then taught myself the saxophone. These days I play now and again, mostly with an old school friend who lives in Canada, when he comes to London." But in Chasing the Moment he plays the piano, explaining that "my mother was a very good pianist and she forced me to play when I was young. I didn't like it then. I do now and I have just enough technique to play in the show

Chasing the Moment is sponsored by the British Council and starts a two-week countrywide tour on January 7 in the Karmiel Municipal Anditorium.

THE day before she embarked on her flight here, soprano Andrea Gruber finally bought a fax machine.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

It was a sign of maturity for the New York native who just turned 30, hut was not long ago the selfdescribed "baby" of the Metropolitan opera.

"Now with a fax at home. I can actually say I'm out of my 20s," she says during a casual conversation in the lobby of a Jerusalem hotel.

The machine is also a symbol of just bow much she is in demand.

Graber is scheduled to sing the Verdi Requiem tonight with the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra in the International Convention Center as part of the Liturgica festival.

"The only reason I accepted this offer, because really I have millions of hours of work I have to do, is because I wanted to go to the Wailing Wall and fulfill part of my dream to visit it with my grandmother" who is no longer living, she says.

Gruber's career has risen meteorically over the last six years. At 22 she had just finished college and two years later she was already singing leading Verdi repertoire at the Metropolitan Opera.

Gruber, however, was always more partial to Wagner.

"My dad's family comes from Austria," she explains. "They fled the country in 1939 to the

Fax and the single soprano

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

US, yet they all loved Wagner very much. On the other hand, they would oot allow an Elisabeth Schwarzkopf record in the house."

Her family never really talked about the war and she didn't receive a formal Jewish education. "Nobody spoke about it, hut I

a server and the server of the

felt there was a loss of faith around after the war," she says.

Before she began singing at the Met, Gruber studied with Jerome Hines, who encouraged her to sing both Wagner and Verdi. There is this restaurant in

Lower Manhattan called Astis where famous opera singers always eat and occasionally sing," she recalls. "So I would learn a new Verdi aria and then Hines would take me there and I would try it ont."

Soon after finishing college, Gruber became the protege of James Levine, music director of the Metropolitan Opera.

"I've learned more from that man than anyone else in my life," she says. "Just think, two years after I entered the Met I was singing with Lnciano [Pavarotti] on stage.

Still, her youth led her to make some mistakes.

loved singing.'

"I probably sang on some nights when I should have canceled," she says. "But I was young and I didn't know and I

She also had vocal problems in the early part of her career which resulted in sinus surgery.

"I had five operations in less than a year," she says. "I was lucky I had my vocal prohlems at the age of 24. It's a big relief. Now I know what I can and what I cannot do. Now I know how to take care of myself."

Gruber says she realizes that there is life outside opera and tries to make the most of it.

"I love to play haschall, I have a hike in my bedroom for exercises and I play fetch with my dog in the park, which is great exercise.

Even more important, "I have great friends who are not opera people and we go to the movies together, we go to the park and we cook dinner for each other."

> IN THE next few years, Gruber's career will shift to Europe.

"The Met is home, but the time has come to spread out a little hit, to search for new directions and connections," she says. "When you are considered Jimmy's [Levine's] protegee many conductors will not tnuch you. Now I want to sing in other houses too."

Gruber loves the theatrical aspect of opera.

"I'm not just one of those fat singing sopranos who stands and does nothing," she declares. "I'm always looking for details. I'm

always searching for the theatrical." When she finds herself in a

rather static so-called traditional production she will find a way to make things remain interesting. "When we did Aida at the Met

l was told to stop running around during the Nile scene as the spotlight person could oot follow me," she says.

Gruber avoids reading reviews.

"It's one persoo's opinioo and I'm too sensitive to find out that I'm either a god or the worst person on earth," she says.

Gruber notes that there is no shortage of Verdi sopranos these

"There was never a time in opera history in which there were so many world-class sopranos around. Now if we had a tenor for each great soprano we would be in very good shape," she says with a candid smile.

Asked to define herself. Gruber, who usually speaks full speed ahead, halts for a few minutes, smiles and remains silent. She then delivers an answer, which she later qualifies.

"There are the mechanical people who just do and the emotional people who just feel," she says. "I have always lived my life 100 percent raw emotion.

Now as I'm getting older: I don't think there is anything wrong in adding a little hit of the mechanical into these emotions;" she adds.

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Mr. Right ALLISON KAPLAN SOMMER

HEY RE hlonde, they re beautiful, they're incredibly wealthy, they're dying to settle down and have kids. But they just can't seem to find the right guy. What is wrong with the

men of the world, anyway? First it was Madouna. The single multimillionairess pop idol, 37, grabbed headlines when she said that she has grown so desperate for a baby that she is considering putting an advertisement-in the oewspaper for a suitable father.

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logue, Hebrew subtitles. Not recommended for children.

Alfie Albert Finney Carney Michael Gambon Adele Tara Fitzgerald Robby Rutes Sewell

Tt's 1963 in Duhlin, and every Lday Alfie (Albert Finney), a cheerful hus conductor with a carnation in his lapel and a book under his arm, regates his regular passengers with poetry recitations.

These ruddy working-class folks seem grateful to Alfie for the lyrical oasis he has created in the middle of the cramped, dingy city. Without fail, the same devotees appear for Alfie's morning sessions and greet him in eager unison as he assumes his position at the front of the bus.

The early scenes of English director Suri Krishnamma's A Man of No Importance aren't promis-ing. A feeling of forced whimsy hangs in the air as Alfie declaims and the riders listen raptly. Louis Armstrong croons Cole Porter's "Let's Do It" on the soundtrack, and at this point, the film seems to have positioned itself as yet another small, sunny period piece about a charismatic naif with love in his heart and poetry in his soul.

But A Man of No Importance turns out to be a different movie altogether, and a terribly sad and powerful one at that.

To Krishoamma's credit, though, the film's tone ripens gradually, so that by the time we recognize the complex tragedy at hand, we've let down our guard. The pain inherent in Alfie's situation dawns on us with twice the

The on-board poetry recitals of Irish bus conductor Alfie - in a tremendous performance by Albert Finney - prove a bit more franght than they first appear.

force because we didn't notice it before.

Actually, Krishnamma and scriptwriter Barry Devtin do offer several clues from the outset that the conductor's on-board poerry recitals may be a bit more fraught than they first appear.

The lines that this aging bache-lor quotes at length and so exsively were written by Oscar Wilde, the great Irish-born play-

wright, poet and fop. Near the start of the film, a graceful, bucktoothed young woman named Adele (Tara Fitzgerald) gets on the bus, and Alfie has a vision. She will play the princess Salomé in the production of Wilde's play (whose title he pronounces like an exotic kind of lunch meat: Sa-lome-y) that be has longed to stage for years.

He assigns the other passengers various roles and asks a local priest to let them practice in the church auditorium. When Alfie

explains that the play concerns John the Baptist, the father readily agrees. It's only as rehearsals for this

Herodian spectacular get under way that the film snaps to life, and we realize wby Krishnamma felt he needed to start on the quaint terms he did: so that he could topple them later.

Alfie happily oversees the rickety run-throughs of his dream play and remains a good sport throughout all the botched lines and awful acting. His sister (Brenda Fricker) and the neighborhood butcher (Michael Gambon), meanwhile, get wind of the "true" nature of Salomé. (It features a belly dance and uses words like "virgin" and "fornication.") "Nothing but smut," they declare, and set to work to shut Alfie's productioo down.

His sister also decides that the time has come to find a wife for Alfie. It's not natural, she says,

wrinkling her nose, for a man of his age to be alone - or recite poetry or cook or read so many books.

Alfie's ensning trials, of course, indirectly mirror Oscar Wilde's own. Convicted of engaging in homosexual relations, the writer was imprisoned in 1895 for two years with hard labor, an experience that nearly destroyed him. Alfie is hardly the flamboyant dandy that Wilde was and he never goes to jail - but he does embody that most Wildean of ideas, the notion that life imitates

Wilde wrote, only half in jest, that the fogs of London were the fault of certain 19th-century landscape painters. In Alfie's case, it's not always clear if his life - his unconsummated homosexuai desire, for example, and his belief in art for art's sake - are inspired by Wilde's work and stance, or if he feels close to the writer's words because they correspond to something be has known about himself all along. By careful weaving of Alfie's story and Salomé's, Krishnamma suggests that the relationship between art and life is reciprocal.

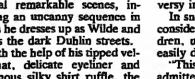
Although it may sound aca-demic, A Man of No Importance is no stale intellectual exercise.

Krishnamma's technique is simple and direct, and Devlin's script modulates beantifully between off-hand humar and pathos, wohhling just slightly toward the very end, when a bunch of plnt developments are resolved with haste and knotted together too tidily.

But there is nothing at all tidy about Albert Finney's performance. He's tremendous here. At once self-effacing and fiery. his Alfie is composed of a staggering array of impulses and characteristics - goodness, innocence, prudery and anguish.

Alfie's inching sexual awakening, especially, is the source of several remarkable scenes, including an uncanny sequence in which he dresses up as Wilde and roams the dark Duhlin streets. With the help of his tipped velvet hat, delicate eyeliner and

enormous silky shirt ruffle, the quiet bus conductor finally looks at ease in his own skin.



"This is a little problem," she admitted. "But it's what I want, so I'll deal with it when the time comes."



A cry in the dark leads to latest work for kibbutz troupe

6 C LEEP oo it." goes the advice for Speople seeking solutions to a par-ticular problem.

It worked for Avi Kaiser.

The Israeli choreographer was in bed at his Brussels home one night last Aogust when he woke with an idea for the title of a oew dance work he was aboot to create for the Kihbutz Contemporary Dance

The name for which he had been desper-Company. ately searching was "Kri-ah."

"Names of works are oothing more than coincidences, hut they are very carefully planned coincidences." explains Kaiser. "The concept of this new work was slowly crystallizing and suddenly the oame gave it the right focus. It was as if I got an illumination from somewhere above, an okay sign to go oo with my plans."

Looking at the actual meaning of kriya in the dictionary, Kaiser was quite startled. "The word has several meanings in the Hebrew language. It means tearing something apart, and it also means destruction

MICHAEL AJZENSTADT

and mourning. These are the exact things I'm talking about in the work."

In another fortuitous coincidence, the word translated itself perfectly into the French. "Crim French means a cry - not a child's cry but a real agonizing cry - and the fact that it is followed by the actual sound of the cry, by the ah, was amazing. Which is why I hyphenated the title."

With regard to the work itself, the choreographer says he's not interested in fancy moves for their own sake. "Showcasing virtuosity for virtuosity's sake does not interest me. As dancers and choreographers we create movement and visual images but the visuals mean nothing without a spirit."

AT 41, Kaiser is working as a choreographer in this country for the first time. He grew up here, studied at the Bat-Dor school of dance and for one year (1975) danced with the Batsheva company. He later spent three years with Rena Schenfeld, hut he has mostly lived and created in Europe. He regularly teaches at various dance companies and academies and creates dance works both for himself and for

other companies. Kaiser is highly complimentary of the Kibbutz Dance Company. "As a native of Tel Aviv, I oever really understood back in the '70s why this company had to exist. I thought that having people who milk cows in the morning dance in the evening was really nothing more than a gimmick.

"Today I realize this company has a shape and a color I never saw anywhere else in the world.

"This company has a kibbutz aura to it. They all work as kibbutz members and this provides the company its special signature. It's a company with a vision that transcends mere dance."

In Kri-ah, Kaiser laments a society which is losing all its ethics and identity. "I

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. feel that there is a systematic destructioo of what was important io the past," he says. "The awful assassination of prime minister Rahio just strengthens this feeling.

Kaiser had begun thinking about this new work last spring, but rehearsals with the company began only after Rabin's death.

"I was afraid because of the sudden reality of my ideas and the title of the work. On the other hand, this nnfortunate event justified what I was feeling."

The work can also be a reflection on the future of kihhntzim, he says. "The kibbutz is searching for a new identity these days.

When we hear talk about kihbutz members getting salaries it is obvious that the changes felt in the world at large are also part of the kibbutz microcosm. The kibbutz is also a mirror of Israeli society."

Kaiser's Kri-ah will be premiered by the Kibbutz Contemporary Dance Company at the Suzanne Dellal Center in Tel Aviv this Wednesday and Thursday.

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heart Xuxa is in the same ticking biological boat.

Despite the childlike image she projects on her children's televisioo show, Xuxa is all too aware of the fact that she is a grownifp. And she doesn't want to simply frolic with other people's children. She wants her own, and 5001. "I'm not a teenager," she said

during a publicity tour here last week. "I'm 32 years old and I'll be 33 years old in March. And I want to have a child before I am 35 years old. So if I can't find someone and fall in love, I'm going to go ahead and go to the doctor's office and arrange something." As one might expect, her statement kicked up plenty of contro-

versy in heavily Catholic Brazil. In such a society, where she is considered a role model for children, unwed motherhood could easily doom her career.

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Election bribe

TORIES of campaign shenanigans, those "dirty tricks" designed to embarrass po-Ulitical rivals, always seem as incredible as they are senseless. The Watergate scandal, which cost Richard Nixon the presidency after a landslide election victory, began with no more than a wish to make absolutely certain that a hopelessly weak Democratic candidate, George McGovern, would he defeated.

The same mentality seems to be dominating the Labor Party today. Leading by 17 points in the polls does not seem to be enough. On Thursday, Housing Minister Binyamin Ben-Eliezer told Ma'ariv reporter Shalom Yeru-shalmi that he had a foolproof plan for a Labor victory in the October elections.

For the next 10 months, he said. Yasser Arafat would impose a closure on the areas he controls, allowing no Palestinians to enter Israel. Consequently, there would be no terrorist strikes throughout this period inside the Green Line. The resulting feeling of personal safety in Israel would assure a Labor victory in October.

In return for this self-imposed closure, the Palestinian Authority would receive a quarter of a hillion dollars, a sum which would come "from Israel and US sources," to compensate for the losses incurred hy Palestinians deprived of work in Israel.

And to further sweeten the deal, the finalstatus negotiations would be accelerated by the government. "Arafat will gain twice," Ben Eliezer said. "Only Labor can assure him of continuing the policies agreed on in Oslo for the period of transition to the permanent solution."

For sheer cynicism, Ben-Eliezer's plan makes the Watergate attempt to plant listening devices in the Democratic party headquarters seem like a Boy Scout excursion. Nixon's "plumbers" did not, after all, meddle in America's negotiations with its enemies. What Ben-Eliezer is suggesting is not only an outright, staggering bribe to an adversary (using what will inevitably be taxpayers' money), hut concessions that will affect the nation's future. And he is making this suggestion for one reason only: to retain power.

It is perhaps in the nature of politicians to confuse their own destiny with that of the nation's, and to view the victory of their political rivals as an unmitigated national disaster. But in any self-respecting country, a politician who would as much as hint at what Ben-Eliezer proposes would be instantly expelled from any position of responsibility, let alone a key goverament ministry.

Nixon, lest we forget, was forced to resign for much less.

Administrative detention abuse

DMINISTRATIVE detention is a legitimate weapon in the hands of a govern-Ament comhating riots and terrorism. No country can indiscriminately let due process apply in time of war, and there is little doubt that what Israel has had to endure since its establishment is war - whether on the battlefield or in its streets.

Detaining suspects without trial is not only an acceptable wartime measure; in certain circumstances it is the only effective choice. In the face of massive physical assaults, the state often has to arrest thousands. To do so with scrupulous regard for the suspects? civil rights would render the government impotent. Nor can law enforcement agencies and security services be, expected to provide, in times of emergency, the kind of proof courts in democracies require for conviction. When the alternative is clearly between the safety of the state's citizens and the rights of the accused, all countries opt for the former. But it is one thing to use emergency wartime regulations to fight the country's enemies and preserve its security interests, and quite another to employ them arbitrarily to intimidate political opponents. Under present circumstances, there is no justification for imprisoning suspected Jewish extremists for months without charge. They are not numerous enough to make regular procedures unwieldy, nor should it be difficult to collect evidence against them. If they have broken the law, they should be charged and allowed their day in court. If they have done nothing illegal, they must be set free regardless of how obnoxious, distasteful and revolting their conduct may be. A case in point is the administrative detention for a period of three months of Kiryat Arba resident Shmuel Cytryn, who served in the Golani Brigade in the Lebanon war and has no criminal record. Arrested on December 4, he is being held in the Sharon Prison for no apparent

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reason. He has never been brought before a judge, nor told what his crime might be.

According to the Jerusalem weekly Kol Ha'ir, his family believes that Cytryn's crime is that he irritated the General Security Service by being the first to charge that Avishai Raviv was a GSS agent. This was three months before prime minister Yitzhak Rabin's assassination and well before Raviv was exposed as an agent, who ran the Eyal organization to which Yigal Amir belonged.

According to the Kol Ha'ir story, Ravivdistributed leaflets naming two members of the community as GSS agents in an effort to establish credibility among Kiryat Arba residents. Cytryn responded by accusing Raviv himself of being an agent. Now, says the Cytryn family, the GSS wants to keep him isolated, so that he will not publish details of Raviv's activities.

The explanation seems far-fetched. It is difficult to believe that the GSS would recommend



Perilous slip of the tongue

GERALD M. STEINBERG

recently asked about Israel's nuclear weapons policy, in the wake of Egypt'a intensive public campaign to strip Israel of this deterrent. Peres replied by stating his will-

RIME Minister Peres was

ingness to trade Israel's nuclear deterrent for peace - a response wbose potential damage is extensive.

For the past three decades, Israeli leaders have carefully nurtured a nuclear deterrence option, based on the Dimona reactor complex. The late Shalhevet Freier, an architect of this policy, warned that without the nuclear threat the Arab states would be able to attack Israel "at a time of their choosing, with nothing to worry about."

There is no contradiction between deterrence and peace - indeed, there are numerous historical examples in which deterrence preserved and even strengthened peace and stability,

For thousands of years, military and political leaders have recognized that the best way to prevent conflict between former adversaries is to ensure a balance of power. By making the costs of war far greater than the potential benefits of any victory, aggressive states are deterred from going to war. The US and NATO used the threat of bility in Europe during the Cold War. Israel's military capabilities and the threat of overwhelming response forced the Arab states to accept Israel's existence and contributed to the peace process. Despite hopes of a "New Middle East" and "the end of history," human nature hasn't changed. Stability rests on deterrence and a balance of power.

The strategic depth necessary for absorbing an attack and preparing a counterattack (as was necessary in 1973) is declining. The Arab states maintain very large conventional armies. Each year, Egypt and Syria add bundreds of advanced tanks and other weapons, and the Iraqi threat will resume once sanctions end. Many of these states, as well as Iran, are also developing or already have chemical, biological, and nuclear weapons, and the missiles to deliver them.

Peres's exchange of nuclear weapons for peace is far too simplistic

With a long history of conflict and only reluctant acceptance of the Jewish state, Arab and radical Islamic leaders in the region may. see a non-unclear Israel as a very ... vulnerable target. Israet-can only give up its nuclear deterrent if the military capabilities of all the other states in the region are reduced so as to pose no threat to our survival. Peace agreements may help to create the conditions for such ar-

The US understood that greater pressure on this issue and even threats to withhold aid would not change Israeli policy; and would be counterproductive. Indeed, in the past decade, many American policy makers and analysts have come to realize that the Israeli deterrent policy serves as a source of regional stability and has contributed to the peace process.

Although this issue is only one of many used in the attempt to isolate Israel, it is the most threatening.

Egypt hoped to use the 1995 Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty Extension Conference to gain international support. However, despite the pressure, Rabin rejected proposals to alter Israeli policy, gaining the support of US and many other countries.

Egypt's attempt not only failed, but, ironically, contributed to international understanding of the uniqueness of Israel's situation. Our policy of deliberate nuclear ambignity stands as one of the most successful examples of Israeli diplomacy.

In the long term, if the peace process survives beyond its infancy and prospers, it may be possible to negotiate and implement sweeping security anangements and a Middle East zone free of weapons of mass destruction and large conventional forces. However, the pro-

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AST week the annual budget filibuster came around agaio, following which many MKs went on to New Year parties. Both rinuals are foreign mports, superfinous and totally foreign to lewish tradition.

On Tuesday the Knesset library got a call from the researchers of Erev Hadash, Educational TV's afternoon newsmagazine. They wanted to know whether Filibuster was a British MP or an American congressman.

Neither, they were told. The word filibuster seems to be a distortion of the Dutch vry buiter, meaning "freebooter." It was first used to designate the buccaneers, who, after the end of the war between Mexico and the US in 1846-8, organized expeditions within the US to take part in West Indian and

Central American revolutions. Later applied to those who engaged in private warfare against any state, the term was finally adopted hy the US Congress to describe the practice of interminable speechifying by senators and congressmen with the aim of preventing or delaying the passage of legislation.

There's notbing illegitimate about filibustering. It's a way for a frustrated opposition to to get attention or make a point.

> Year's end is filibuster time

Hernt MK Yohanan Bader first introduced the tactic to the Knesset in the late 1960s. Since the return of the Labor Party to power in 1992, it has become the method of choice for the Likud to drive the coalition up the wall toward the end of every calendar year.

The record for the longest filibuster by an MK is held by Michael Eitan, who on December 29, 1992, spoke for over 10 hours. He would have gone on looger had the Knesset physician not insisted that he stop for health reasons.

Eitan managed to stick to budget-related issues (unlike some of his colleagues who rambled on about anything), but in practical terms he achieved nothing. The only MK who managed to get additional funds for a social cause by means of a filibuster is said to have been Yair Tzaban, today minister of absorption, then a Mapam backbencher. WHAT DID the Likud hope to achieve by last week's filibuster? If it was to change the budget, it failed. If it sought to demonstrate that there are serious faults in the budget, or in the policy on which it is based, a single powerful speech by an opposition member well versed in economics would have been far more effective. If the aim was to make it very difficult for the government to function normally during the last few days of December - well, that merely posed a challenge to the ministers, who virtually moved their staffs into the Knesset building for a few days, and worked from there. If the aim was to see what a sleepless night does to MKs, I can report that it made them look pretty groggy. If, on the other hand, it was to get underpaid Knesset employees to work overtime and air their full range of four-letter words, then here, at least, the success was impressive. Likud leader Binyamin Netanyahn, asked by a radio interviewer last Thursday evening wby be wasn't attending the basketball game at Yad Eliahu, replied that the best game in town was in process in the Knesset. However, Maccabi Tel Aviv had at least a theoretical chance of winning, while in the Knesset, because of the government's blocking majority, Avraham Shohat's victory was a foregone conclusion. But we shouldn't complain. Last week's child's play in the Knesset was harmless compared to the total abandonment of the rules of the game as regards the US's 1996 budget. Since the current US administration lacks a majority in Congress, Congress can cause complete stoppage of most government work by refusing to approve the budget, cansing untold hardship to millions of people across a frozen US. That might be legitimate - but it is also immoral.

detention for this kind of "offense." But in the absence of a more reasonable explanation, this will have to do. Cytryn's lawyer appealed to the military court in Nablus, which cut Cytrin's detention time, and petitioned the High Court of Justice, which has yet to respond.

One should like to hope that in the absence of any charges, Cytryn will be promptly released. But much more is at stake than his mexplicable incarceration. The implications of this kind of arrest are understood all too well by former Soviet refuseniks and prisoners of Zion, who have have appealed to President Ezer Weizman on Cytryn's behalf.

Ida Nudel, Yosef Begun, Vladimir Slepak and Yosef Mendelevitch are heroic figures in the Jewish people's struggle against tyranny. That they feel compelled to seek basic justice for a Jew in his own country and protest his treatment by his own government is a sad commentary on the state of civil liberties in Israel.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

DUE PROCESS

December 18, "Police state," totally misrepresents my statement on incitement in schools. I have never called for any political deounciation of teachers by their pupils, anony-mous or Otherwise. I specifically referred to those teachers who have expressed support of the murder of prime mioister Yitzhak Rabin. There has been one such case, and several Others are now being investigated, all under the rules of due process and after a bearing.

It is my opinioo that there is no rooru in a public school for a teacher who supports murder. Of course, any accused person can challenge dismissal in a court of law. We will apply this rule to all schools, including a case in which a teacher justifies terrorist attacks against Israelis." Jews in the Diaspora would expect the same rule to be applied against antisemitic and neo-Nazi teachers,

THE AACI

Sir. - Heidi Gleit's article of December 7. "Putting a little English in voluntarism," calls the AACI an immigrant group involved only in helping "compations" acclimate in their "new land" and portrays ESRA as the only organization that. provides a framework for English speakers who want to volunteer. This claim does a great disservice to AACI, both as a national organization and in particular to its five re- Netanya.

Sir, - Mr. Oskar Prager's letter of as well as against teachers who deny the Holocaust.

Mr. Prager stoops to comparing of guests attending the 70th annivermy methods to "Gestapo use of Hitler Youth." In doing so, Mr. sary celebrations of the Hebrew University held on December 7 un-Prager insults the memory of the der the auspices of its Jerusalem Jews rounded up hy the Third Reich Friends. Within the pages of the during its reign of tyranny and ridibrochure presented to guests at that cules the very essence of our nation's foundations. full-page advertisement for The Je-

Furthermore, Mr. Prager exhibits a baffling misconception of the difference between a democratic Israel taking strides against incitement to murder and a racist Nazi regime beot oo genocide. The Ministry of Education continues to promote the study of democracy and tolerance in schools. Our pupils deserve better, and their parents will settle for noth-

ing less. Prof. AMNON RUBINSTEIN, MK. from these scholarships some years ago and as a regular subscriber to the Post, I would like to express my Minister of Education, Culture and Sport Jerusalem.

appreciatioo to your paper for this invaluable assistance which you are rendering to the university as indeed to many other causes. MARCEL GUINSBURG gions. National AACI has been in Jerusalem. the forefront of many campaigns to improve the quality of life for all

sue their studies.

Thanks to its readers' generosity, Israelis - among them is the cam-The Jerusalem Post runs three paign for the enactment of antifunds, "Forsake Me Not," the smoking laws, electoral reform, etc. MOSHE SHAMIR, "Toy Fund" and "Welcome Home Fund" which provides scholarships Chairman to deserving new immigrant stu-MAX STAMLER dents. It also runs now the "Jerusa-Deputy Chairman, lem Corridor Emergency Appeal." AACI Netanya Region

ISRAEL is a a very small country, and getting smaller.

rangements, but they do not in themselves significantly reduce Arab military capabilities.

For over 30 years, Israel's deterrent has been based on a policy of deliberate ambiguity, in order to allow for maximum effect, at minimum political and military cost. In the 1960s, the US sought to pressure Israel into accepting internanonal inspection and giving up the nuclear option. Israeli leaders refused, but did agree to keep the "bomb m the basement," without public announcements, or overt testing.

Of victims and victimizers

war as a security bulwark along the

The current proposal does not

call for restoring those lands to the

villagers of Ikrit and Biram, only

for awarding each of 600 families a

Lebanese border.

million shekels.

THE proposal that the govcrament permit the resettlement of 600 Arab families in the deserted Upper Galilee villages of Ikrit and Biram is intended to right a historic wrong. It is, bowever, blatantly one-sided. It is also ill-timed.

The proposal has evoked intense oppositioo from Jewish moshavim and kibbutzim in the area along the border with Lebanon. It has also been vociferously rejected by representatives of the Arab villagers and their descendants, who claim it falls woefully short of a fair restoration of their rights.

Well over 500,000 Palestinian Arabs became refugees during the War of Independence. The vast majority fied the fighting in panic; a small minority was expelled by victorious Israeli forces.

Both those who fled in fear and those who were expelled were victims of a life-and-death war forced on the Jews of Mandatory Palestine by the Arabs' own bloodyminded leadership.

The villagers of Ikrit and Biram were among the extremely few exceptions in that situation. As the Israel army advanced into their area and peoetrated into Lebanon, they were asked by the local IDF commanders to vacate their villages temporarily - with the express promise that they would be permitted to return once the fighting had died down. That promise was oever kept.

Thousands of dunams of the two villages' arable lands and the mountain grazing pastures were distributed to the kibbatzim and - Ed. J.P. moshavin set up in the wake of the

cess toward this goal is complex. and must begin with the most fundamental steps: agreements to prevent surprise attack and provide early warning, Until Egypt and Syria reduce the size of their annies, and, like

Israel, place most of their forces on reserve status, there is no sense in going further. The writer is an expert in arms

control and a senior research Fellow at the BESA Center for Strategic Studies at Bar-Ilan University.

demanding equality under the law. What is clearly needed in the YOSEF GOELL

case of Ikrit and Biram, 47 years after the event, is a symbolic restoration, and an admission of wrongdoing by Israel's government. This would form the basis for a burying of the batchet, or, in Arab cultural terms, a sulha.

half-dunam to rebuild their homes. A sulha is a distinctly quid-pro-The government would pay for quo affair. A far better proposal building the infrastructure of modthan the current one would be for era bedroom communities at an the government to offer the villagestimated cost of several bundred ers a much more munificent settlement than has been suggested, in return for their openly dissociating THERE IS not the slightest doubt themselves from any demands that that a mocomental wrong was might be made by other Israeli done to the villagers by the State of Arabs regarding the restoration of Israel. Vague claims that their retheir villages and lands, or "the settlement would constitute a right of return" of the 1948 refuthreat to Israel's security have consistently been refuted by a long gees.

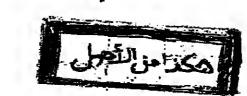
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1948 war in Western Galilee alooe, Attempts to right historic wroogs are often impoasible. Many times they entail the creation of new wrongs. It might have been better not to.

raise the issue of Ikrit and Biram at done to the villagers of Ikrit and this time, since it can only anger Biram. But this fear of setting a most other Israeli Arabs. In any precedent dissuaded both his govcase, there is little likelihood of a ernment and previous Labor ones fair compromise is in an election Some legal experts today warn that restoring likrit and Biram year, when Labor and Shimon Peres will be desperately running after the Arab vote. would open the way for other Ar-

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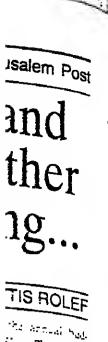
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War between the generations hasn't started yet, but when baby boomers begin a wave of retirements, political analysts expect more tensions over taxes and benefits. Above, three generations of a family in New Hope, Pa.

By ROBIN TONER

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No Free Rides

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WASHINGTON AS 1995 the first skirmish in the great generational war? If so, many analysts suggest, Americans have little stomach for For years now, an influential group of academics

and political theorists has been predicting this clash: As a great wave of baby boomers begins to retire in the next 15 years, generational tensions will come to drive American politics just as race and class and ethnicity have in eras past It is a chilling vision of a not-so-distant future, as the first boomers, born in 1946, begin to turn 50 tomor-row: The elderly and soon-to-be-elderly angrily protect-ing their benefit programs; the young increasingly resentful as programs for the elderly take a greater share of Federal resources; the whole system growing more precarious as the population gets older, putting more and more of a burden on the people still in the work force.

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To many on Capitol Hill, the interests of the old and the young already seem at odds in the Federal budget. The Congressional Budget Office, for example, projects that Medicare will grow about 10 percent a year, consuming more than 17 percent of the budget by the year 2005, up from about 12 percent in 1996.

Devotees of "generational accounting," like Lawrence Kotlikoff, an economist at Boston University, warn that even the Republican proposal to balance the nd trim t

So far, the young seem more concerned with care for the elderly than with the cost.

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an ugly struggle - epitomized in a Newsweek cover this year showing a weary young man with an old woman in a wheelchair on his back - but voters generally do not. Behind those nasty, budget-busting benefit programs are the parents and grandparents of the young (a sort of 1990's version of "Don't shoot, we are your children"). Mark Mellman, a Democratic pollster, said: "I think what we've learned about generational warfare is

polling is that younger people are just as concerned about protecting Medicare and Social Security as their parents.

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the House Republican leadership, agreed that there was little evidence of true generational conflict in 1995. "I don't think it's a skirmish because I don't think the younger generation is fighting back," he said.

There are some obvious reasons for this: For all the talk about the breakdown of the extended family, some scholars say, the bonds between the generations remain surprisingly strong. True, the Waltons are no longer the norm: In 1952, 38 percent of the people over 65 were living with their children; 35 years later, that figure had dropped to 20 percent, according to the American Association of Retired Persons (in part,

that it's largely a myth. Everything we've seen in our

Frank Luntz, a Republican pollster and adviser to

little and much too late.

Yet the 1995 budget battle, which was dominated by Republican plans to squeeze \$270 billion from Medicare, underscored what politicians have long suspected. Policy analysts may see the old and the young locked in

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What a Concept!

Nope. Nothing new under the



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Surprise!

Still in the Balkans, now protecting Americans.

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Blood Brothers? Palestinian Christians seek reassurance. By Serge Schmemann

Here's the Future. Look Familiar?

Season of the Seer

By JAMES ATLAS

NE book under a lot of Christmas trees this year was Bill Gates's "The Road Ahead," which opened - to borrow a term appropriate to its - at the top of the best-seller list, and promises to remain there long after the last pine needles have been swept from the hearth. And why not? Mr. Gates's book is ideally suited to this season of good cheer: In his view (a view no doubt shared by the stockholders in his flourishing Microsoft Corporation), the road ahead is paved with gold. "The network will draw us together, if that's what we choose, or let us scatter ourselves into a million mediated communities." Not everyone shares Mr. Gates's optimism. Con-

sider the rival scenario advanced by Kirkpatrick Sale, whose 'Rebels Against the Future'' contains the pointedly ominous subtitle "Lessons for the Computer Age." Where Mr. Gates revels in the sheer ingenuity of invention, overjoyed by a device that can list "all the stores that carry two or more kinds of dog food and will deliver a case within 60 minutes to my home address," Mr. Sale is troubled by a world in which technology is a harbinger of social disintegration. For him, the history of the Luddites, textile workers who rose up at the beginning of the 19th century against the mass-production factories that posed a threat to their livelihood, offers a cautionary tale: "Beware the technological juggernaut, reckon the terrible costs, understand the worlds being lost in the world being gained, reflect on the price of the machine and its systems on your life, pay attention to the natural world and its increasing destruction, resist the seductive catastrophe of industrialism."

Prophets, Prophets, Everywhere

Mr. Gates and Mr. Sale are both fun to read onceyou accept the premise of their books: namely, that they're works of prophecy. "The Road Ahead" is al fable, a version of the utopias spun out over the centuries by human beings aspiring to realize a better world than the one we inhabit. "Rebels Against the Future" belongs to an equally popular genre: the doomsaying pamphlet that alerts us to gathering clouds of destruction.

As we approach the third millennium, the prophets are out in force. To scan the shelves in Barnes & Noble is to be assaulted by exhortations and imprecations from every side. The economist Jeffrey Madrick, in the great tradition of *endism* pioneered a few years ago by Francis Fukuyama in his celebrated and derided book "The End of History and the Last Man," warns us that "The End of Affluence" is at hand; Bill McKibben, in "Hope, Human and Wild," makes - as his subtitle puts it - "A Plea for Simpler Living as the World Warms Up." Mr. Gates makes an opposite plea: For him, the

If you're a futurist, where we're going depends on where you're coming from.

New Computer Age will be "a shopper's heaven." (It's an image that captures, however unconsciously, the way we live now: in a consumer society, shopping has become a religious act.)

The First Futurist

Who's right? Something is happening, and we don't know what it is - but an army of propheteers is giving us the answers anyway.

Foretelling the future is a venerable literary pas-

time. Ever since Sir Thomas More in 1516 devised his "Utopia" (from the Greek outopos, "no place"), an Ideal city-state in which reason reigned and money had been forever banished, visionaries have ventured out on the road ahead — have imagined, in the words of T. S. Eliot, that "Time present and time past are both perhaps contained in time future,/ And time future contained in time past."

Edward Bellamy's once-famous novel, "Looking

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Ideas & Trends

It's the Era of Nostalgia With Legs

By EVELYN NIEVES

)T many new cars can stir the kind of emotion swirling around the Concept One. When a prototype was unveiled in Detroit two years ago, the media showered the subcompact with tributes, would-be Concept One owners flooded dealerships with inquiries and auto industry analysis anointed the car the Next Big Thing. The Concept One isn't even scheduled to hit the road until sometime around the millennium, but Volkswagen of America is still being inundated with calls and letters asking: Is it here yet? Is it here yet?

Turns out the car of the future is a nostalgia trip — it's a Volkswagen beetle, looking just a bit more aerodynamic than the old model. And, not surprisingly, a great deal of the interest in its new incarnation comes from baby boomers. The beetle practically

The baby boomers long for simpler days. What else could explain the return of Mr. Potato Head?

steered the Woodstock generation through its protracted adolescence. Until Japanese competition and pollution-control requirements hounded it from the American market in 1978, the beetle was everybody's favorite first car, an anti-establishment emblem, a tubby Joe Schmo with the soul of a starving artist.

"There are literally millions and millions of people who have all had experiences with the Volkswagen - good experiences," said

Tony Fouladpour, a spokesman for Volkswagen of America in Auburn Hills, Mich. "Obviously those people are going to be inclined to want to relive the experiences." Now that's a concept A powerful wave of nostalgia is sweeping the country's 32-to-50-year-old set. It recreates Beetlemania and Beatlemania, turns men to mush at the mention of Matchbox cars and makes women mist at the sight of an Easy Bake oven.

Memories for Christmas

It also turned the holiday shopping season into a walk down memory lane. In a season without that one must-have, no Mighty Mor-phin Power Ranger or Cabbage Patch Kid to wrestle strangers in the mall for, baby boomers created a new boom in the toys they had to have once upon a time. So while Sega Saturns and Virtual Boys made the season's hot list, so did Crayola crayons and Mr. Potato Read.

"Parents are buying for their children what they themselves loved," said Jodi Levin, a spokeswoman for the Toy Manufacturers of America, a trade group. "They know they're going to be a hit."

Perhaps watching Monopoly on screen makes people who remember its green plastic Cape Cods realize that something may be lost in the translation from cardboard to kevboard. Or maybe it's that as long as baby boomers are masters of the universe. Masters of the Universe will never have the same cachet as G.L Joe. So toy chests are getting stocked with old favorites like Scrabble, Play-Doh and Bingo. Even Lite Brite is making a comeback.

As for Mr. Potato Head, thank "Toy Story" for bringing it back, and Disney for remembering its andience. Any movie that features Mr. Potato Head, Slinky Dog and Etch-A-Sketch (not to mention plastic soldiers, Tinker Toys and the Magic 8 Ball) knows whose heartstrings it's tugging. Even the plot line - old toy threatened by newfangled toy - panders to the over-35 crowd. Baby boomers, watching the first fully com-



puter-animated feature-length cartoon with children who will never know a manual typewriter, can truly appreciate feeling humbled by the latest technological gizmo.

"We're moving at an exponential rate of" change," said Gerald Celente, executive director of the Trends Research Institute in Rhinebeck, N.Y. "This whole technological revolution is unsettling to a lot of us. These times are so uncertain for so many people, they're looking to the past for some kind of anchor.'

Seats of Power

The Trends Research Institute says the search for creature comforts with a little less byte is accelerating as boomers move into the seats of power in the country's corporations and institutions. This movement should soon be obvious in all kinds of things Americans buy, eat and wear.

When Levis-loving boomers make it into the ranks of C.E.O.'s, casual Fridays may become casual everydays. There may also be a warm and fuzzy tug in advertising, films and television shows. "You could see it now in commercials with Boris and Natasha," Mr. Celente said. "Anything to dredge up the past."

Hollywood will probably churn out more and more movie remakes (and you blamed 'Sabrina'' on the industry's chronic lack of imagination). Americans will hear more commercial slogans like Ovaltine's current "I may be over 30, but I feel like an Ovaltine," see more new goodies like Nestle's sugar cookie dough, and continue to help boomer games like Clue make the toy industry's comeback list, says the Trends Institune (which lists "boomer power" as its No. 1 trend of 1996).

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Indeed, a week before Christmas, Tony Arroyo, an account manager from Wyckoff, N.J., was braving the crowds at Toys 'R Us in Paramus for his 5-year-old twin nieces when he found himself before a display of childhood memories. They were stacked like pirate's gold: Careers, Risk, Aggravation. Life, Operation, Chie. Even (heart be still) Battleship.

For one brief, shining moment, he was 10 again, beating the cafeteria crowd at their old games. "Every time I see this, fifth grade flashes before my eyes," he said, slipping a Battleship in his shopping cart. Something just comes over me."

That would be his age. Mr. Arroyo is 41, which means he fully remembers when the Volkswagen beetle ruled the road.

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Where the Generations Do and Don't See Eye to Eye: The Political Gap

Federal spending on Medicare was \$145 billion in 1994, double its 1986

Faith in Medicare

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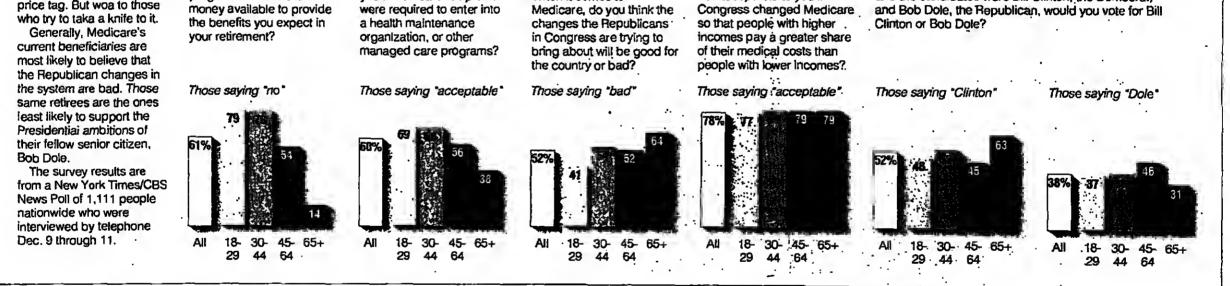
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The Vote, if the Election Were Held Today

If the 1996 Presidential election were being held today, and the candidates were Bill Clinton, the Democrat,



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because of Government programs that encouraged independence among the old). But the distance is often only physical; 70 percent of respondents talked to their mothers at least once a week in one recent survey, for example. And the political interests are often shared.

Senator Bob Kerrey, Democrat of Nebraska and a leader in the effort to overhaul benefit programs, describes the attitude of the young toward the elderly this way: "They want them to be secure. They want them to have quality health care. And they don't want them to be dependent on them."

As Mr. Kerrey suggests, there is self-interest at work; curtailing Government benefits for the elderly can translate, quickly and directly, into added burdens — or at least added worries — for their families. "Families are already pretty much doing what they can," said Vern L. Bengtson, a gerontologist at the University of Southern California who has studied intergenerational patterns. "Eighty-five percent of all care that is given to dependent older people is from family members."

Mr. Mellman added: "The middle-aged group feels they're part of a sandwich generation. They're caught between parents who need help and kids who need help. They don't want to see programs for either cut."

Greedy Geezer? Who Says?

There are also broader, cultural attitudes that protect the elderly in any struggle over Federal re-sources. Much of the debate over generational warfare centers on the image of the "greedy geezer," living an affluent lifestyle in some balmy clime, heedless of the generations to come. But Bill McInturff, a Republican pollster who has specialized in Medicare, said this is not the image that emerges from his research with voters.

"When you look at the data about self-described financial security, and who has and does not have money, in the aggregate people over 65 are doing pretty well." Mr. McInturff said. "But the perception in focus groups is that these are people who have paid their dues, paid their taxes, and they're owed. And that they continue to be vulnerable. There is an enormous empathy in this country with wanting to do right by seniors." All of these attitudes came to bear in the 1995

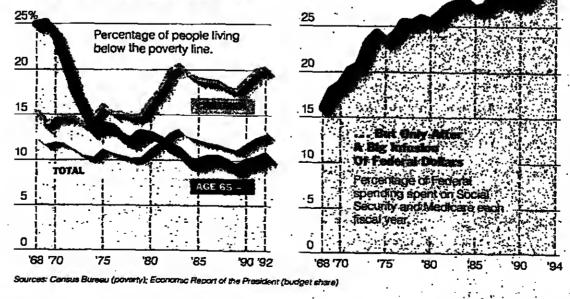
budget battle, which showed just how subtle and dangerous generational politics can be.

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Republicans declared they wanted to balance the

The Money Gap

While Children's Lives Are Bleaker, The Old Have Overcome Severe Poverty...



budget for the sake of the country's children and grandchildren, warning that deficit spending and out-of-control benefit programs will be cripping to the young. They desperately tried to play down the other part of the generational message: That it was time for old people to sacrifice for the sake of future generations.

Political Gains for Democrats

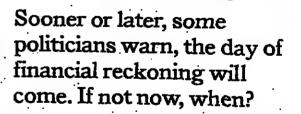
Republicans took Social Security off the table at the very start, and presented their Medicare restructuring as an attempt to "preserve, protect and improve" the 30-year-old program.

But the interests of the various generations could not be neatly disentangled. Middle-aged parents may have worried about the deficit and its effect on their children, but they also feared what curtailments in Medicare and Medicaid would mean to their parents. The Democrats quickly cast themselves as the guardians of the elderly against a predatory Republican Party, and prospered in the polls with young and old alike

The New York Time

Pundits and partisans denounced the Democratic campaign as demagogic and argued that Republicans deserved credit for at least tackling the issue of spending on benefit programs. Yet the Republicans' case was weakened because their budget was not a simple intergenerational transfer between the comfortable old and the needy young.

Nor was it simply about insuring the long-term stability of Medicare. Critics argued that the Republican plan would, in fact, curtail many of the existing



programs for children and shift new resources, through a tax cut, to the rich.

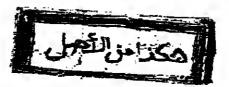
By year's end, politicians like Mr. Kerrey were still puzzling over how to rally the public on these issues. Because, of course, simple demographics dictate that the issues will not go away. Before the baby boomers hit the retirement rolls in force, most analysts say that Medicare and Social Security will have to be re-examined and, ultimately, substantially restructured.

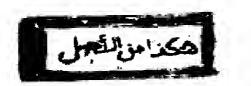
"I don't think we can afford the contract we now have on the table for the baby boom generation," said Mr. Kerrey, who has proposed legislation that would gradually raise the age of eligibility for full Social Security benefits to 70 and limit the cost-of-living adjustments. In other words, in the absence of any action, Americans may not be able to avoid an out-andout generational conflict - not over their parents and grandparents' benefits, but over their own.

They are handly in denial about these long-range problems; many are worried that these programs simply won't exist by the time they retire. Mr. Luntz cites a statistic from one of his surveys: 46 percent of 18- to-34-year-olds believe in the existence of U.F.O.'s; only 28 percent believe that Social Security will still be around when they need it.

Yet given Americans' sensitivity to the old, it will require a special kind of politics to carry voters through major changes in these programs, many analysts say. Bipartisanship, of course, always helps. Dividing the nation on generational lines, judging from the evidence so far, will be far less effective in the nation's living rooms than it is in the nation's think tanks. For all the talk about the fraying of American

values, some endure. As former Senator Russell B. Long, Democrat of Louisiana, said 30 years ago, programs like Medicare were created in a powerful and ancient spirit - the biblical injunction to 'honor the face of an old man."





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The World Palestinian Christians Feeling Like a Minority

By SERGE SCHMEMANN

BETHLEHEM, West Bank AJOR events in Bethlehem traditionally carry a message, and the glad udings that Yasir Arafat wanted to broadcast to all mankind when he went to church for Christmas mass whatever their religion.

Though there were a few whispered gripes that in so dning, Mr. Arafat took the spotlight off the Nativity, mnst Palestinian Christians seemed to take heart at the sight of the Palestinian Muslim and his Christian-born wife sitting in the front pew of a church and issuing pledges of peace and tolerance.

The West Bank is not Lebanon, to be sure, and Palestinian Christians and Muslims here have long lived in relative harmony. In the 28 years that Israelis ran the West Bank, moreover, the occupiers did not particularly distinguish between Muslims and Christians, thus helping foster something of a shared Palestinian identity.

Yet it was inevitable that with the end of the occupation, the minority Christians would have some anxieties about their future in an overwhelmingly Muslim Palestine, especially with the rise of Islamic fundamentalism. This was all the more so because a steady emigration to the Americas, and a comparatively low birth rate, have reduced the percentage of Christians among the Palestinians from more than 20 percent in 1948 to less than 3 percent today, or about 50,000. Of the cities where Christians once predominated, they are no longer a majority in Jerusalem or Ramallah, and are fast losing their majority in Bethlehem.

In the West Bank, as elsewhere in the Middle East, religion has less to do with ritual than with identity. An Arab born into a Christian family will forever be identified as a Christian, and will most probably marry a Christian, no matter how distant from religion he or she might be. The Arab Christians, moreover, are further divided along sectarian lines, with members of the Greek Orthodox church in the majority, followed by Roman Catholics, Anglicans and other denominations, each with its own politics and rivalries.

Mr. Arafat's marriage to a Christian-born woman, even though she converted to Islam, was in itself regarded as a demonstration that be was above tribal politics and that the Palestinian nation was one. Speaking in Ramallah yesterday, Mr. Arafat put

Speaking in Ramalian yesterday, Mr. Aratar put out the message literally: "I greet our dear Christian and Islamic religious leaders. I say to our Christian people, Happy New Year. Arab unity, Christians and Muslims! Palestinlan unity, Christians and Muslims! National unity, Islam and Christianity!"

Of course, it was not only the desire to reassure some 50,000 of his new constituents that brought Mr.

As numbers drop and Islamic fundamentalism rises, tolerance is welcomed.

Arafat m church on Christmas Eve. He was obviously aware that much of the world would be tuned in to "The First Palestinian Christmas in Bethlehem," and that he would have a rare opportunity to project himself as a man of peace, tolerance and statesmanship.

But it is also true that the old Palestinian Christian clans hold considerably more clout then their small numbers suggest. Many are well off by Palestinian standards and most are well educated, and they bave ties to another 400,000 diaspora Palestinian Christians in the Americas whose skills, capital and lobbying potential could play a major role in the development of the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

Mr. Arafat has gone to considerable lengths to reassure the Palestinian Christians. They are the only minority, aside from the minuscule Samaritan nation, for whom he has set aside seats in the Palestinian Council -5 of the total of 88,

Not all Christians are happy with this, to be sure; some politicians believe that this fixes them as a separate group, and in effect puts a cap on their representation and transforms a religious minority into a political minority.

But Jonathan Kuttab, a lawyer who is running for one of the Christian seats in East Jerusalem, argued that having guaranteed seats would actually help take religion out of the race by reassuring the Christian minority of representation, and enabling its members



Suha Arafat, wife of the Palestinian leader, and their daughter, Zahwa, view a Nativity scene in Bethlehem,

to run on the Issues.

The greater anxieties in the Christian population, Mr. Kuttab said, were those shared with moderate Muslims — the rise of fundamentalism, and "whether the Palestinian state will be democratic or not."

On the latter point, Mr. Arafat's Christmas message was ambivalent. So anxious was he to get his point of tolerance across that when one Arabic newspaper failed to give it sufficient prominence, Mr. Arafat's security chief placed the editor in detention.

A Chilling Arrest

At week's end, Maher Alami, an editor of Al Quds, the main Arabic newspaper in Jerusalem, was still being held under Palestinian "preventive security" in Jericbo, intensifying already weighty doubts about the prospects for an independent press under the Palestinian Authority, What was particularly chilling was that Mr. Alami was seized not for publishing anything critical of Mr. Arafat, but for failing to put an event that Mr. Arafat especially fancied on page me. The item was a statement by the Greek Orthodox

The item was a statement by the Greek Orthodox patriarch, Diodoros I, who compared his greeting of Mr. Arafat to a seventh-century predecessor who welcomed the Muslim caliph, Omar ibn al-Kattab, the conqueror of Jerusalem. Mr. Arafat liked that, and the Palestinian news agency sent out the item with instructions that it should be put on page one. Mr. Alami, a veteran editor, put it on page 8. The next day he was ordered to Jericho, where be was placed in detentim.

The detention aroused protests by journalists and Palestinians, and Mr. Alami was expected to be released soon; in addition, it was unclear whether he was seized on the orders of Mr. Arafat or of some overly enthusiastic aide. But a message that until his arrest read "gnod will toward men" now carries an unfortunate addition — "or else."

Loosen That Tie. Want a Drink?

How to Set a Peace Table

By CHRISTOPHER S. WREN

WASHINGTON HEN Syrians and Israelis sat down last week to try to make peace, they did without the traditional trappings of diplomatic discourse — a formidable table separating the sides, name plates, microphones and an opening photo-op.

Instead, their American hosts seated them cheek-by-jowl in a cozy room around a circular mahogany table, with only a centerpiece of white tulips dividing them, while a wood fire glowed in the hearth. Outside, cows grazed on a snow-streaked pasture and a few white-tailed deer scampered from a copse of bare trees in the frosty Maryland countryside.

Versailles this was not. Purposely so. Never mind that River House, a seclud-

ed retreat at the Wye Conference Centers, was hired from the Aspen Institute, that negotiators slept in luxury bedrooms with telephone voice mail, and that the cows belonged to the University of Maryland's agricultural program. The bucolic ambiance, like the deliberate informality, was intended to break down the kind of barriers of mistrust and distance between negotiators that can wreck deal-making even after two Governments have decided they want a deal.

Such studied mood-making is a technique popular these days with Americans as they try to broker deals in intractable conflicts. It includes encouraging firstname informality, walks in the woods and bans on both neckties and reporters.

On the simplest level, this makes common sense. It's hard in dislike your adversary when he asks you to pass the butter. The Norwegian Foreign Minister Johan

Jorgen Holst, who died early last year, proved the value of this approach in 1993, throwing in hearty bome-cooked meals

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Liberation Organization for a succession of secret talks at farmhouses, hotels and his own home. These talks produced the agreement for mutual recognition between Israel and the P.L.O., laying the ground for Palestinian self-rule.

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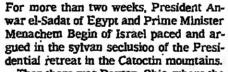
"If the results are positive, it's a little difficult to argue with them," said Casimir Yost, director of Georgetown University's Institute for the Study of Diplomacy. "I do think that when hegotiators can get people into the room and away from telephones and the press, and can work through issues in a systematic sort of way, that can at least enhance prospects for success."

The cozy room in Maryland.

The strategy was not invented in Washington. When World War I ended, some details of the peace were thrashed out in quiet Swiss nr Italian hotels with alpine vistas. "In those days, diplomats never took their ties off," a Government historian recalled, "but to the extent they could relax, that's where they went." The Versailles peace conference was a full-dress affair, of course, but even there some key decisions were worked out in private.

A more recent precedent for the Syrian-Israeli talks, which continue this week, was the marathon negotiation at Camp David in September 1978 that paved the way for peace between Egypt and Israel.

> At the Paris talks that began in 1968 on the Vietnam War, the United States suggested six table shapes. North Vietnam refused them, preferring a plain circle (not shown).



Then there was Dayton, Ohio, where the leaders of Serbia, Bosnia and Croatia initialed their peace accord in November. The Clinton Administration ruled out the Wye conference site then because it didn't want the visitors commuting into Washington to pitch their respective positions on television. So it opted for the protective custody of Wright-Patterson Air Force Base near Dayton, where Serbia's President, Slobodan Milosevic, protested that he had beeo "locked up like a monk" (he became a regular at the officers' club).

Seasick in Malta

The attempt to choreograph the right atmospherics can backfire, as bappened in 1989, when the Bush Administration chose sunny Malta to talk arms reduction with Mikhail Gorbachev. The two leaders were m bave visited each other aboard their warships anchored offshnre. But an unanticipated storm kicked up seas so rough that American officials donned medicated seasickness patches. Mr. Gorbachev declimed to join Mr. Bush aboard his pitching American cruiser, the Belknap, preferring a Russian ocean liner moored dockside.

President Clinton's press secretary, Michael D. McCurry, contends that this Presideot ''is better at 'in-your-moccasins' diplomacy." Like the crafty matchmaker of "Hello Dolly," the Administration tries to make its clients feel at home while they size one another up. When President Milosevic balked at one last-minute detail last month, his American interlocutors poured him another stiff whisky and the deal got done. At the Syrian-Israeli talks last week, smoking was allowed in deference to Syria's chain-smoking Ambassador, Walid al-Moualem. The Syrians rejected an American proposal to don sweatsuits, the Israeli newspaper Yediot Ahronot reported, but they did remove their neckties.

"It does seem to work," said Glyn Davies, the State Department's deputy spokesman. "Creating a diplomatic negotlating blosphere, you kind of seal them in and hope that you create a chemical process that might not occur in the capitals."

Looks So Familiar

Why the Future

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Backward," published in 1887, in fact, looked forward to the year 2000, when the United States would have become united in "a general business partnership" in which all were free to choose their professions and the "scientific organization" of society had vanquished poverty. Why, there was even a "musical telephone" capable of broadcasting music the every home in America! Nearly half a century later, H. G. Wells, in "The Shape of Things to Come," envisioned an equally beneficent Modern State in which humanity, released from hunger, fear and other "primary stresses," would achieve marvelous technological feats.

In this apocalyptic age, Mr. Gates and his can-do ilk are in the minority: the navs have it. Mr. Madrick, for one, is glum about our prospects. His argument is that the United States, far from being on the threshold of technological triumph, is a nation in decline. Fragmenting markets and falling returns on investments have led to a chronic slowing of economic growth. Until we come to grips with this unassailable fact, Mr. Madrick insists, the economy will continue to falter while the deficit balloons. "Throughnut our history we believed that we were a chosen people, a belief essentially sustained by our growing affluence," he concludes. 'Now, we shall see who we are without it."

Mr. Madrick sounds positively upbeat compared to Robert D. Kaplan, author of a long article, "The Coming Anarchy," that appeared in The Atlantic Monthly in February 1994. Traveling through West Africa, Mr. Kaplan found himself plunged into a cauldron of poverty, disease and crime that heralded nothing less than the breakdown of civilization. The disintegration of borders, the wandering bands of young armed thugs let loose to terrorize the countryside, the rampant deforestation and overpopulation constituted a "premonition of the future," as Mr. Kaplan tautologically put it: "The breaking apart and remaking of the atias is only now beginning."

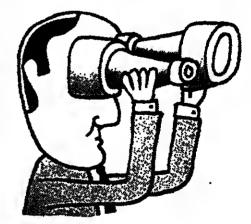
In the end, pessimistic predictions about the future of humanity tend to be no more accurate than optimistic predictions. Two centuries ago, Thomas Malthus warned that an exponential increase in population would produce starvation, vice and other human miseries on a grand scale, thwarting "the perfectibility of the mass of mankind." A century later, the historian Frederick Jacksoo Turner predicted "the end of the frontier" — in reaching its geographic limits, he maintained, America had come to the end of its resources; it would have to expand beyond its boundaries to find sources of new growth.

What — Me Worry?

Mr. Gates himself is aware of the perils that lurk; his optimism, too, is tempered by moments of gloom. If all the wired-up whitecollar workers move out of the cities, he frets, the urban tax base will be reduced, which would "aggravate the inner city's woes and encourage other affluent people to leave." But never mind. Maybe rents will go down, helping poor people subsist in the cities. We'll figure out something.

But Mr. Gates is essentially a pragmatist. Like those other hopeful futurologists, Alvin and Heldi Toffler (whose influential manifesto, "Creating a New Civilization," was re-issued this year with a foreword by Newt Gingrich), he believes technology is our salvation. What really excites him is the "magical" oature of the oew electronic world we're about to enter. Just think: in the not-so-distant future, Mr. Gates rhapsodizes, we'll be able in find out from our wallet-size computers the answer to such urgent questions as "Do fish see in color?" and "Where's the nearest Chinese restaurant that is still open?" The television. which Mr. Sale denounces as a diabolical 'blue genie," creating useless needs, is for Mr. Gates an altar of technological wonders. A "set-top box" will soon connect the information Highway to "even the oldest TV sets."

Hnw plausible is the futuristic world of "electronic efficiency" that Mr. Gates con-

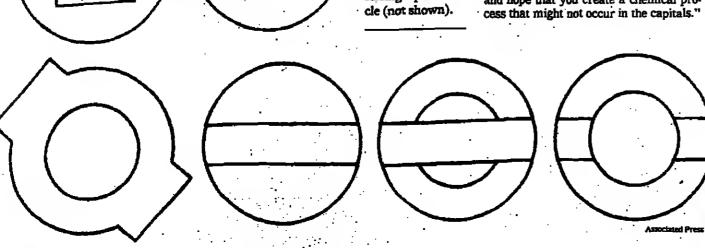


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jures up? Is his vision of bodysuits "lined with tiny sensor and force feedback devices" that can provide tactile access to virtual reality, of "spatial navigatioo" that can enable us to traverse the globe without stirring from our living rooms, any less fanciful than H. G. Wells's Time-Machine?

Where we're going depends on where you're coming from — we create the future in our own image. For Mr. Sale, a radical who came of age in the 60's and never relinquished the rebellious spirit of that decade, the computer culture of the late 20th century is what the mercantile economy of 16th-century Europe was to Sir Thomas More: "a conspiracy of rich men procuring their own commodities under the name and title of the common wealth." For Mr. Madrick, the computer is just another product that Americans aren't making in sufficient oumbers to offset the expanding foreign market — to our economic detriment.

In truth, of course, "the future is still black and blank — a vast ignorance," as H. G. Wells admltted. And thinking we know what lies ahead doesn't mean we can anticipate the consequences. "I have been over into the future, and it works," Lincoln Stef. fens, returning from a visit to the new Communist experiment in Russia, told Bernard Baruch 77 years ago. The question is: for whom?



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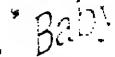
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The World The Mission Not Accepted

By BARBARA CROSSETTE

UNITED NATIONS HE Clinton Administration apparently does not want Congress to hear the words Eastern Slavonia. Relieved that the dispatch of American troops to Bosnia got Congressional backing, Wash-ington is determined to palm off peacekeeping next door in Eastern Slavonia, the last holdout of Croatian Serbs, to a reluctant United Nations.

Logically, the operation there could be part of the NATO mission. The preferred route for American supplies from Germany and Hungary to the Pentagon's headquarters in Tuzia runs right through Eastern Slavonia. At one point it passes within five miles of territory known as Sector East, at the tip of Croatia's northern fork, which is controlled by Serb militias not party to Balkan peace agreements.

Some diplomats here are puzzled by the Clinton Administration's insistence that the same international peacekeeping apparatus it regularly denounced in Bosnia should be given the responsibility of disarming Eastern Slavonia, easing out its Croatian Serb occupiers and returning it to Croatian Government control - with guarantees of protection for Serb populations - over the next critical year or two.

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Eastern Slavonia is perilous, and the U.S. left it to the U.N.

The United States wants a small force (Washington is charged for a quarter of all United Nations peacekeeping costs) and prefers that the troops not be given war powers, except to protect them selves. Diplomats question how such a limited force can be expected to help safeguard the American lifeline to Tuzla against sabotage or prevent the Croatian Army from seizing Sector East by force. There are still differences of opinion on exactly how much territory in Eastern Slavonia will be under U.N. control. Croatia has recently resisted the stationing of international contingents on its soil. United Nations officials and those envoys

close to the debate in the Security Council, which must create the peacekeeping mission for Eastern Slavonia by Jan. 15, say Americans are acknowledging in closeddoor discussions that politics is driving the Administration's decision, and that not everybody in Washington involved in carrying out the policy believes it is wise.

"The United States has a long history of deploring divided command arrangements, dual keys and so on," said James Schear, a Balkan specialist at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace in Washington. "Yet here there will be two separate operations not only close to each other but also where each has an impact upon the other."

American officials are confident that an agreement largely written by them, with the backing of President Franjo Tudjman of Croatia and President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia, will hold because both want peace. "We believe the spirit of Dayton makes past assumptions not necessarily correct about how the parties will behave," said James P. Rubin, spokesman for the United States mission to the United Nations. "We strongly believe a properly structured U.N. peacekeeping force will be sufficient to implement the agreement between the Serbs and the Croats to make peace stick in Eastern Slavonia, and it is an appropriate division of labor for NATO to implement the peace agreement in Bosnia and a U.N. force to conduct a similar task in Eastern Slavonia."

Since Serbia did nothing earlier this year to halt the Croat seizures of Western Slavonia and Krajina, a much larger region occupied by Croatian Serbs, it is unlikely to act in Eastern Slavonia, officials believe. As for the Croats, President Tudjman has been sent a message from Washington that it will not condone military action in Eastern Slavonia as it did in the other areas seized by Croatian forces.

Officials and independent experts say the possibility of using NATO power in an emergency is being discussed as a contingency. Most believe the Croatian Serbs would be reluctant to "mess with NATO," as an official put it. There is also oo expectation that Serbs in Croatia will be drawn into Bosnia. William Durch of the Henry L. Stimson Center in Washington, an independent security research organization, said he doubts that "Croatian Serb militias would stick their necks out for their Bosnian brothers."

An American Boss

Furthermore, an American; Jacques Klein, will be in charge of both civil and military operations in Eastern Slavooia as representative of Secretary General Boutros Boutros-Ghali. Mr. Klein, a former diplomat and a major general in the Air Force : reserves, will in effect govern at least part.



of the territory during a transitional period beginning in the next few weeks. He is oow in the region on an inspection tour.

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Eastern Slavonia - Sector East, in particular - is full of tensions and temptations. Devastated by Serb assault in 1991, cleansed of tens of thousands of Croats, threatened intermittently by attack from Zagreb and home to freelance militias beyond Belgrade's control, it is also rich in farmland and holds the promise of oil and natural gas. "The problem from the very beginning has been that local Serb militia elements are very independent there." said Mr. Schear. "There is a history of U.N. efforts to disarm without much luck in Eastern Slavonia. That legacy is at the heart of U.N. nervousness about the whole demilitarization task."

Secretary Geoeral Boutros Boutros-Ghali, fearful of another peacekeeping debacle, thinks this is a job for a 11,300-strong mechanized combat divisioo with air support, Madeleine K. Albright, the American representative, says a few thousand bluehelmeted United Nations peacekeepers are enough. Diplomats guess that the Security Council will settle on a force of 4,000 to 5,000, incorporating the 1,600 Russian and Belgian troops already based there.

Arguments between Washington and the United Nations bave been unusually fiery: Ms. Albright says the Secretary General is being counterproductive and misguided. He says her personalized attacks sink to vulgarity. American officials say the U.N. is miffed and wants "to take its marbles and go home" oow that Washington has taken charge in Bosnia. A U.N. official counters that the organization is being used to spare the Administration the need to go back to Congress with the unfinished business of Eastern Slavonia.

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United Nations officials foresee a repetition of the Bosnian "safe areas" flasco, when the Secretary General's request for up to 35,000 troops to police the designated havens was whittled down by the Americandominated Security Council to 7,600, with predictable results. The United Nations took the blame.

"The U.N. will continue to be made the victim," wrote William J. vanden Heuvel, a former deputy American representative to the United Nations and board chairman of the United Nations Association of the United States, in a letter to the Secretary General oo Dec. 15. "If NATO is unwilling to accept the responsibility, then certainly the Security Council must assure that the proposed U.N. force will be at least as well treated as the NATO forces - protected, trained, sup-plied, commanded and financed." That is not the Administration's plan.



U.S. soldiers near Zupanja, Croatia, rebuilding a bridge to Bosnia to carry supplies.



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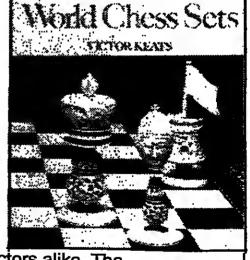
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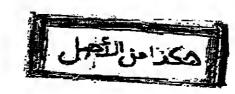
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Baby Boomers Hit 50. Now What?

By DAVID CAY JOHNSTON

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trist at New York Hospital, said opportunities for boomers "are not in HE roughly 76 million baby the future, they are in the now.". boomers, raised to expect So what, if anything, can aging lives of unlimited possibiliboomers do to resolve the economic ties, start turning 50 tomordissonance between what they have row. And as their future beand what they're told they need to comes their now, the older boomers

retire? Here are issues that some older boomers, and experts who study their attitudes and actions, suggest are worth pondering:

WORK Benefits experts and financial planners say boomers should not assume that their jobs will last beyond age 58. That means the roughly 3.4 million boomers turning 50 this year, who had envisioned having 15 years or so to save for their golden years, may have about half that

"Look at LB.M.," said Judy Lan, a certified financial planner in Wilmington, Del. In trimming its work force, LB.M. made retirement available earlier, "so 55 became the magic age instead of 65."

"People really are looking at how to make it between 55 and 65," she. said

Edward M. Goldman, who turns 50 in July, feels comfortable these days, as general manager of WBZ in Boston, one of the nation's largest radio stations. He has been salting away money since he became a father at age 29, and when he got a big promotion a decade ago, he decided to save more, not spend more. Now, even if he suddenly could not work, he said, "I would not be destitute."

But he also knows his hard-earned comfort could vanish in a heartbeat." "When you are an employee, even

company is going to buy or sell, or whether you strike somebody the wrong way can mean it's suddenly

> over." Few boomers, though, are in his enviable position of being prepared financially.

"People have this resignation, as I do, that it is what it is," Mr. Goldman said. "I do the best I can to maintain my health - I exercise, run, lift weights" - because he may need to work for a long time.

But that work may not be there. So in addition to putting money in taxdeferred retirement accounts, boomers should also be building up nest eggs they can crack open before age 591/2 (the age at which retirement accounts can be tapped without pen-

SOCIAL SECURITY Don't count on it for much, even though people pay a fortune for it, roughly a seventh of pay when the matching amount charged to employers is added in. Already the law requires all boomers to reach 66 or 67 to collect in full, and some may have to work until 70, or even 72.

B. Douglas Bernheim, a Stanford University economist, says the better-off boomers should expect pothing from Social Security. "We will see means testing before most of the boomers retire," be said. "A lot of people will be means tested out of the program."

RETIREMENT Don't count on any company. pension to be enough. Those jobs that people held in their 20's probably did not qualify them for a pension, and the pension from jobs they left after a dozen years at 40 will be paid in dollars that will not be adjusted for inflation.

The experts say that while the first career may end at 58, boomers should expect to work into their 70's, even if it is part time.

Many who lived through the Depression and World War II looked on old age as a time pot to work. But boomers may be different.

The experts all say boomers need to be saving 10 percent or more of gross earnings for retirement. Merrill Lynch's retirement index shows the boomers need to save at about three times their current rate of about 4 percent. The most pessimistic model - developed by Mr. Bernbeim - suggests that boomers need to save at 9 times their current rate;

most disturbing findings," Mr. Bern-

at a senior level," Mr. Goldman said, cializes m estate planning for "who comes in over you, or what the wealthy clients of Weil, Gotshal & Manges. For those who have put off a will,

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fearing that the mere thought will bring them closer to their head stone, Mrs. McCaffrey offered some chilling thoughts on what happens when people die without wills.

"If there are still young children, courts will end up supervising assets," she said, and money that could have sent the kids to college may end up paying legal fees.

So get to a lawyer, or at least get a boilerplate will, available on paper or computer shareware at many stationery stores. Some

RESPONSIBILITIES

The appropriate amount of life insurance varies with family circumstances. Those with grown children would do better to build an investment portfolio than to pay insurance premiums. But for families that need insurance, the right amount depends not just on savings and debts, but also on the support that could be expected from relatives and the ability of survivors to adapt.

Whatever the oeed, prices of term insurance - which has no investment feature - have never been lower.

RELATIONSHIPS Breaking up is hard to do, but when you're older it's expensive, too. Older boomers often have houses, pensions, 401(k) accounts, not to mention picture albums and other treasures.

Linda P. Giering, 48, earned a doctorate in physical organic chemistry while having two children, and for years has traveled the world as a decide to check out.

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"A statistically significant rise in suicides is not unreasonable," Mr. Smith said, "and the issue for these boomers will be whether they can deal with the stresses in their lives.

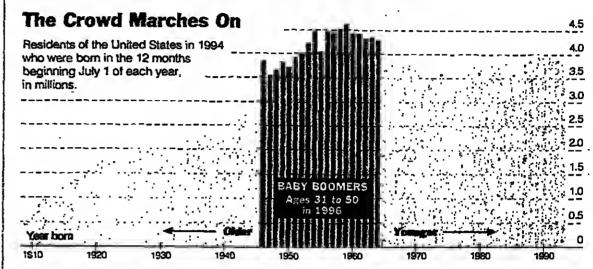
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"Reported stress levels, concerns for personal security, for economic security and trust in every institution - religious, economic, political, media, you name it - are at all-time lows."

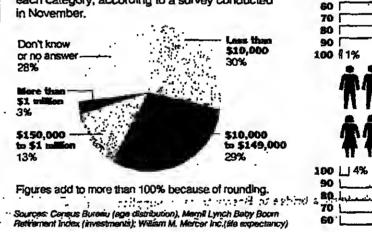
Barbara Steif, 41, a clinical psychologist at Provident Medical Center in Portland, Ore., said: "Many boomers have not had life experiences which bring suffering into their lives. It may be a surprise when they hit 40, 45 or 50 that everything is not in their control.

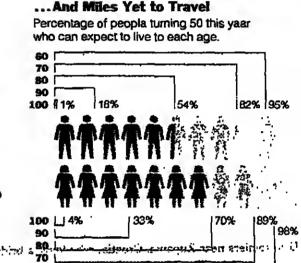
"We see a number of people here who come in suicidally depressed," she said, with causes including bankruptcy, college bills or health care problems.



Not Much Put Aside ...

Percentage of people aged 46 to 49 who said they had investments whose total value was in each category, according to a survey conducted





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the most expensive example made themselves over to win their business. But as individuals, most boomers struggle from paycheck to paycheck, even when there are two breadwinners. Two out of five owe more than

they own. Even most of those in the black could not go 90 days without a job. And as many jobs are downsized, right-sized and re-engineered out of existence, not only are the days of steadily rising pay behind them, their jobs may be, too.

So, while they're living longer, they cannot count on working as long as their forebears did - though, to pay the bills, they may have to. Not every boomer struggles. More

than half attended college, and half

of those graduated. About 2 percent

of boomers - about 1.5 million of

them -- are worth \$1 million or more

(beyond home equity), according to

a Merrill Lynch survey to be re-

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heim said, "is that the boomers are not accelerating their rate of savings as they get older."

"Their retirement years will be much more focused on work, and less on leisure," said J. Walker Smith, a managing partner at Yankeloyich Partners who studies boomers. 58

But that work may be on their terms. Mr. Smith points to casual dress polícies on Fridays at some button-down corporations as a small but symbolic indicator of how, as boomers acquire power, they remake institutions to fit their values. "The boomers have changed the rules every time they have entered a new time of their lives," Mr. Smith said. He expects boomers to press for more flexible hours and more working from home.

"Boomers are going to confront retirement in a very different way. than their parents, confront it more as a work style than a life style," Mr. Smith predicted

One thing's for sure. They'll regret it later if they don't take full advantage of a retirement plan like a 401(k) - at the very least, to the point where a company matches part of what is put m.

And people should think of ways to make some money in their 60's and 70's, and look at retirement as they would death, something to be put off as long as possible.

INHERITANCE Don't count oo it. Chances are two in three that parents will die leaving debts or so little money it won't pay for a vacation to Disney World. That \$10 trillion that will pass from one generation to the next is highly concentrated in what Donald Trump calls "the lucky sperm club."

ESTATE PLANNING Even those with modest means need a will, especially if they have children, said Carhyn S. McCaffrey, a lawyer who spe-

boomers worry that they will become the sandwich generation, pressed between demands to support parents who have outlived their retirement savings and superannuated children who won't leave the nest. It will be worse than that for some boomers, who will have to care for grandparents. And some boomer grandparents may have to step in

and raise grandchildren. Dee Lee, a financial planner in Harvard, Mass., runs retirement seminars for government agencies and corporations, and she has a small but steady stream of men and women in their 50's who want advice about careers and grandchildren.

"Their kids have screwed up through drugs or alcohol or a bad marriage, and the grandparents have to raise the kids," Ms. Lee said. "People think this is an issue only for welfare mothers. It's not.

"I personally have seen this in two instances, where women in their mid- to late 50's quit their jobs to care of their grandchildren. Not smart. Better to keep working and pay for child care."

If people want to make a gift to a grandchild, but don't trust a grown child to keep hands off the money, do it through the Uniform Gift to Minors Act and make yourself or someone you trust the custodian.

INSURANCE Boomers in their 50's whose children are grown may need little or oo life insurance. But those who started late, or started a second family, need to provide for their dependents. And even though many boomers will live long lives, insurance costs a lot, because 10 percent of men at age 50 will be gone by 65, according to actuaries at William M. Mercer Inc.

marketer for Du Pont Merck. Then her husband of 26 years left.

Now she has a 6,600-square-foot house in Harvard, Mass., two grown children and a lot of time on her hands, but still she can't face up to the daunting task of dealing with the mechanics of divorce.

"Getting the divorce final and settling who gets the retirement money and the house and whatnot has not been a priority, partly because it costs a lot," Ms. Giering said.

As the major breadwinner in her marriage, Ms. Giering expects to make it fine. But typically women in divorces find their assets and income slashed.

Just as divorce can wreak havoc with the best-laid financial plans, making marriage endure can avoid ripping a big hole in the wallet.

STRESS Most boomers are doing fine psychologically, but the stresses that afflict many of them will worsen with time, predicted Mr. Smith of Yankelovich Partners.

"Boomers started their careers when the future had a very optimistic view to it," Mr. Smith said. "They felt it was more or less their birthright to spend a lot of time in creative leisure pursuits, to focus on self-fulfillment and self-experience, an attitude very different from their parents and their children and, it turned out, very different from their experience in the economy in the 70's and 80's."

After that, "many boomers developed a real sense of defeatism," he said.

Harold Hodgkinson, director of the Center for Demographic Policy in Washington, says some boomers will decide, beginning in their late 50's, that they just cannot cope and will

She said boomers need to think about "whether competing with your peers for the right house, the right car and the right Cuisinart makes sense."

SPENDING Credit cards and cash machines are a major reason that boomers do not save more, said Jack Blankenship of Blankenship & Foster, financial planners in Del Mar, Calif.

"You can easily spend 20 percent of your money just in cash taken \$100 or \$150 at a time from a teller machine," Mr. Blankenship said.

He tries to persuade new clients to carry a notebook and record every cash expenditure. Then be has clients put the data into their Quicken or other personal finance software so they can see where their money goes

"Once people reach age 50, when they start thinking about mortality and how are they going to pay for retirement, they start coming in our door looking for help," be said.

PERSONAL GOALS Looking back, boomers should ask themselves if they're satisfied with what they've done with their lives so far, and if not, whether it's really too late to make big changes.

For some, the years ahead may be the last chance to, say, be a Big Sister or Big Brother, being a mentor to someone who really needs one, to plant flowers in a neglected neighborhood park, to try a new adventure.

Even if the money is limited, the possibilities aren't. "Being 50," Dr. Steif said, "is a lot younger than it used to be."

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Reform Fratricide in Russia

Moderate Russian political leaders ought to study George McGovern's disastrous 1972 Presidential campaign. Disorganized and crippled by dissension within the Democratic Party, it could be a preview of the way Russian democrats fumble their chance to win Russia's presidency in June.

The recent parliamentary election showed the once unthinkable is possible - a Communist or extreme nationalist candidate could succeed Boris Yeltsin in the Kremlin. The prospects include Gennadi Zyuganov, the colorless leader of a resurgent Communist Party, Vladimir Zhirinovsky, the flamboyant ultranationalist, and Aleksandr Lebed, a former general who has promised to restore order in Russia. It is safe to assume none of these men would be a friend of reform or of the United States.

That is especially disquieting because the powers of the Russian presidency are far greater than those of the Parliament. In concert with the conservative Parliament just elected, a conservative president could quickly brake reform policies and complicate Russia's relations with the West. The impact could be felt everywhere from Bosnia to the budget debates in Wasbington.

The Russian election system favors coalition candidates. Only the top two finisbers in the first round of presidential balloting in June will compete in a runoff election. Maneuvering has already begun that may determine whether reformers or their opponents gain a potentially decisive advantage by uniting behind a single candidate. Mr. Lebed has proposed an alliance between his supporters and the Communist Party to back a single candidate, preferably himself.

Coalition building has not come easily to any of Russia's headstrong political leaders, but it is now essential that reformers set aside their differences and their ambitions to back one candidate. The parliamentary voting showed waning support for reform. It should be a warning to reformers that a splintered field of candidates could kill their chances in the presidential election.

Unhappily, there is little reason today to think reform politicians will be united. Mr. Yeltsin, the hero of Russia's liberation from Communism, is now an infirm figure, slowed by an ailing heart. His puffed face and stiff gait are a painful contrast to the dynamic man who stood his ground against coup plotters in August 1991. Mr. Yeltsin seems in no condition to run for re-election, but he may feel reform will perish without him. He has yet to disclose his plans.

Even if Mr. Yeltsin were in fine health, he and his Government remain unpopular, the result of Mr. Yeltsin's erratic leadership, a loss of economic security that has frightened millions of Russians and failed policies like the military campaign in Chechnya. It is quite possible that any incumbent candidate, whether Mr. Yeltsin, Prime Minister Viktor Chernomyrdin or someone else, would wind up the victim of a large protest vote.

The most visible alternative to Mr. Yeltsin or Mr. Chernomyrdin is Grigory Yavlinsky, leader of the Yabloko bloc, a group of committed reformers who have remained outside the Yeltsin Government and have not hesitated to criticize it. Yabloko ran third in the parliamentary election, Mr. Yavlinsky, an economist and author of an audacious reform plan that was rejected by Mikhail Gorbachev in the final months of the Soviet Union, is articulate, energetic and ambitious. But he has yet to show the kind of mature leadership that would make other reformers like former Prime Minister Yegor Gaidar and former Finance Minister Boris Fyodorov give up their own political ambitions.

If Russia's key reformers keep jousting with each other, two opponents of reform will end up in the final round of the presidential election. After seven decades of Communism, Russia deserves a better choice.

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MISK OF TO SALE Times Change. Times Square, Too.

midnight to mark the New Year will be sparkling new for this occasion. Down below, America's best- ment, among them the 50-year-old armed forces known intersection is undergoing a renewal of its own, from run-down seedy to modern glitz. Mayors and urban esthetes have yearned for years to spruce up the area - where Broadway intersects with Seventh Avenue in mid-Manhattan - but only now is the transformation visible to the naked eye. Some people, no doubt, regret the passing of the tawdriness and sleaze, but even those elements survive in limited quantity. More people will be attracted to the brighter lights, bigger spectacles and cleaner, safer streets. New Year's Eve is a key moment. Weather permitting, or even if it is forbidding, upward of a quarter-million people typically jam the blocks north of 43d Street to watch a lighted ball slide down a pole on the roof of No. 1 Times Square. Onequarter of them will bail from foreign lands, such is the lure of New Year's Eve in Times Square, and millions of would-bes will watch on TV. The ball belongs to the building, but the 90-yearold midnight ritual is now in the hands of the Times Square Business Improvement District, a neighborhood coalition of businesses - including this newspaper - and real estate interests. This year the ball will glitter and gleam as never before. The principal forces behind the Times Square upgrade are the state and city governments, the Times Square B.I.D. and a burst of new enterprises. The newcomers are as small as a candy store, as big as Walt Disney and as theme-driven as the Official All Star Cafe, a big sports restaurant

The ball that, drops above Times Square at and gift shop that opened just before Christmas. Alas, there are some obstacles to ideal developMediated Divorce May Be the Healthiest Option

To the Editor: William A. Galston's proposal for "a not-so-fast divorce law" (Op-Ed, Dec. 27) strikes an emotional chord at first. Upon reflection, it makes no sense at all.

Nobody likes the word "divorce," and people don't marry with i1 in mind. But a healthy divorce that empowers all parties - as typically occurs through divorce mediation can restore parents' and children's sense of well-being.

As the mediator helps divorcing parents focus on the future, they move through the immediate crisis and become able to plan and get on with their lives. Seeing their parents working together, even as they part, to plan the family's future, and watching them resolve conflict in an adult manner, helps children heal and eases their growing fear of forming adul1 relationships.

Under Professor Galston's proposal, couples could not divorce without alleging or proving marital

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(front page, Dec. 26) contrasts the

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"abuse or extreme emotional crumestic violence without the govern-

pily married for a proposed five years would still lead to pent-up frustration and aggression against wives

(typically) and children. 1 agree with Professor Galston that child-support agreements must be enforced. I must point out that couples with mediated agreements show significantly higher levels of compliance on child support than couples who litigate their way to agreements or court orders.

This "higher-compliance" effect of family and divorce mediation is also seen in relation to provisions

elty." One can almost hear spouses' minds turning: "So the one thing preventing me from divorcing my wife (or husband) is that there hasn't been abuse or violence. No problem!" There's already enough doment's officially promoting it as the only "easy" way out of a marriage. Even in cases without preplanned crueity, forcing people to stay unhap-

stating non-custodial parents' commitments to continue parental roles and provisions limiting the disruption in the children's lives.

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Blaming children's problems on a megalith called "Divorce" is a bit like stating that cancer is caused by chemotherapy. Neither divorce nor chemotherapy is a step people hope to have to take in their lives, but each may be the healthiest option in a given situation.

Professor Galston writes that "every state has adopted 'no fault' " divorce legislation. In fact, New York and New Jersey (perhaps among others) still require an allegation of fault by the party "seeking" the di-vorce. GLENN DORNFELD vorce. President, Family and Divorce

Mediation Council of Greater N.Y. New York, Dec. 27, 1995

Ease the Bloody Battle To the Editor:

"Needed: A Not-So-Fast Divorce Law" by William A. Galston (Op-Ed, Dec. 27) answers a bad problem with a worse solution.

To delay or deter "lower-conflict marriages" from ending would only exacerbate the damage to children. As a divorce lawyer, 1 see couples every day who never lay a hand on one another but are experts in using children as instruments of psychological torture.

What we can do is make divorce less a bloody battle and more a mandated resolution of conflict, low or high, with the interests of children paramount. But our current legal system is better designed to stage fights than seek solutions.

The anthropologist Margaret Mead suggested what Professor Galston calls "two-tier divorce" 30 years ago. but the aim was not to force unhappy couples to stay married but to insure that society puts the emotional and financial needs of the children ahead of the couple's own. We can do that by reorienting our adversarial divorce process rather than legislating 'adult desires" and "passion for au-LOIS BRENNER tonomy." New York, Dec. 28, 1995

Nixonesque Paranoia Lives On

To the Editor:

Re"When History Is Up for Grabs" (Op-Ed, Dec. 28): To see one of Richard M, Nixon's criminal co-conspirators assail the veracity of Oliver Stone and accuse the film maker of working with historians to "destroy the very character of America" is to realize that Nixonesque paranoia did not die with its creator.

With particular amusement. I read Charles W. Colson's assertion that Watergate represented a vindication of American checks and balances because "the damage was identified and the wronedoers bunished." Mr. Col

son apparently would have us over-

look the fact that Nixon was pardoned

and thus not only spared the prison

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would have ordered, but also freed

Elisberg? Who was punished for the secret bombing of Cambodia? Who was punished for the successful campaign of terrorism (including illegal surveillance, assassinations, infiltration and manipulation of news media, and use of agent provocateurs) unleashed against Americans opposed to Nixon's policies?

Mr. Stone has made a film, however imperfect, that vividly and dramatically calls our attention to events that perpetrators like Charles Colson would perhaps like us to forget, and thereby does our nation a great serv-BRAD ROCKWELL



"whom" to make clear that The New York Times knows a mistake when It KAREL WESTERLING sees one. New York, Dec. 27, 1995

recruiting office - an eyesore that squats on an island in the middle of the square. The Pentagon plans a new, livelier design. Better it should yield the site entirely and unclog the square.

The New York Convention and Visitors Bureau is planning a new tourist information center that will clog the same island. It will be so small - 1,000 square feet - that any visitor might well ask why the self-styled "capital of the world" cannot do better. It can and should, by arranging for a bigger space alongside, not in the middle of, the square. That requires more money, either from City Hall or private contributors. The city gives the bureau only \$3 million a year, a paltry contribution for an economic sector that generates billions for business and hundreds of millions in taxes.

The need in Times Square is clear. The interested parties, including City Hall, should join in planning what should be where, rather than making decisions piecemeal. Open space among the skyscrapers is too precious to be cluttered with kiosks.

The new Times Square is not the old one that lives in memory, and never will be. The new showiness will inevitably drive up rents and drive out some good neighbors along with the crummy ones. But any urban conversion as massive as this one is bound to be imperfect. The city, the state, the private developers and the businesses and theaters in the neighborhood must take care to see that the essential excitement is not dimmed and, above all, that Times Square is a welcoming place.

Coddle the Everglades, Not Sugar

It has been almost 50 years since Marjory Stoneman Douglas sounded the alarm in "The Everglades: River of Grass," her environmental classic. "There are no other Everglades in the world," she wrote, at a time when that unique preserve had shrunk to one-quarter of its original sweep. Even now, the river dies a little each day.

The Federal and state governments are making efforts to reverse the decline, but environmentalists call them inadequate. Under the new Federal highway act, tolls on a southern Florida interstate will be used for environmental projects, including the Everglades. Every little bit helps, but this one is too small to make any real difference.

The Everglades is threatened because the natural supply of clean fresh water that keeps it alive has been diverted and polluted by other uses exploding population and sprawling farms and ranches. Phosphorus runoff from sugar-cane fields is a prime culprit in fouling the flow.

Cane growers' generous campaign contributions to both major parties have helped guarantee the preservation of import restrictions and Government loans that keep American sugar prices higher than the world market - and keep growers in business who could not survive without this help.

New farm legislation incorporated in the omnibus budget bill would continue basic supports. If Washington is going to keep on coddling sugar this way, Congress should also adopt a proposed amendment that would impose a tax on Florida sugar for Everglades cleanup costs. State law already requires Florida cane growers to put \$200 million to

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\$300 million into cleanup efforts, but Florida taxpayers will pay three times as much.

Water to nourish the Everglades overflows from Lake Okeechobee into former swampland now reserved for agriculture and into the Everglades itself. Originally it flowed in a vast thin sheet, ever so slowly southward. But when surrounding areas were flooded in 1947 - the year of Mrs. Douglas's warning - Washington authorized the Army Corps of Engineers to build 1,400 miles of canals and pumps to control the water flow.

The timing of the flow is crucial to the stability of the Everglades system, but also to sugar cane, and recent experience shows which comes first. When southern Florida was drenched by rain in the hurricane season this year, water that threatened to drown cane crops was drained off to the Everglades, where it drowned wildlife.

That kind of harmful drainage should not be necessary when, eventually, some of the acreage now planted in sugar cane is converted to water storage and filtration, but environmentalists claim a sharper cutback in cane production is needed. The Corps of Engineers has already established one conservation area of 3,500 acres, where it is testing various ways to filter out phosphorous. Further setasides - eventually 40,000 acres - and re-channeling some of the flow will take years. It will be a long time before results are known.

 In the words of Col. Terry Rice, the Army Corps man in charge in southern Florida, the whole undertaking is a test, and "if we pass, we may get to keep the planet."

terminology-reflects the different roles that the two areas - the West Bank and the Golan Heights - have played in Jewish history, and the different place each occupies in the heart of the Israeli people. This difference accounts for the radically different character of the negotiations over the West Bank and the Golan Heights. RONEL ELUL Providence, R.I., Dec. 28, 1995

from any compulsion to admit to having committed crimes. In what way was Henry Kissinger punished for ordering illegal telephone taps or burglaries of Daniel

Wider Benefits in Building New Schools

To the Editor

Re "Record Cost Cited to Fix or Rebuild Nation's Schools" (front page, Dec. 26):

It seems clear that most of America's communities need to be educated before voting on bond referendums for financing school construction

Although the article points out that some large cities and smaller districts are confronting the growing crisis, the majority now, including New York City, are reluctant to spend the needed money, mostly because they see no immediate bene-

are now being made available for community use on weekends and evenings. These include auditoriums, indoor

and outdoor sports areas, libraries and cafeterias. So it is that many of these schools serve, in effect, as the local civic center.

As is the case at Public School 5 in Washington Heights, an organization like the Children's Aid Society has vital supplementary after school programs for disadvantaged children. These added uses are often not possible in older, less secure school buildings, PETER SAMTON

New York, Dec. 28, 1995 The writer is an architect.

Austin, Tez., Dec. 8, 1995

History's Villain To the Editor:

Re "When History Is Up for Grabs" by Charles W. Colson (Op-Ed, Dec. 28):

Fifty years from now, school children all over the world will be taught about the only man to resign as President of the United States, Richard M. Nixon, and his thugs who attempted to use a pickax on the Constitution.

I feel confident there will be no mention of Oliver Stone's "Nixon" as part of this history lesson. For Mr. Colson to magnify Mr. Stone's acts in fantasy to degrees greater than his own acts in reality shows that his arrogance and appreciation of what America is really all about are the same as when he worked with Nixon and went to jail.

It is apparent that be lacks the understanding of where the line between good and evil lies within himself when he suggests that a motion picture will have greater destructive force on our nation than the acts of the man portrayed in that FRANKLIN L. BROSGOL picture. Chappaqua, N.Y., Dec. 28, 1995

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New York's Medicaid Cuts Will Cost Working Families More

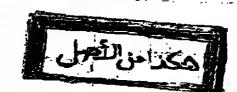
To the Editor:

Re Edwin S. Rubenstein's "More Ke Edwin S. Rubenstein S. June Medicaid Myths" (Op-Ed, Dec. 26): Gov. George E. Pataki's proposed \$2.9 billion health care cuts would devastate the system that New York's working people, their children, the elderly and the disabled depend on. These cuts will come on top of previous heavy reductions and additional cuts by Medicare and managed-care payers.

If Mr. Rubenstein hasn't seen serious damage yet, it's partly because the State Legislature has blocked the most severe cuts. As the economics analyst for National Review, he seems unaware of the health problems of ordinary New Yorkers.

Hospitals and clinics bave been cutting staffs and services. Even the wealthiest patient arriving with a heart attack will face a longer wait and reduced services. Some people will die who could have lived. Their

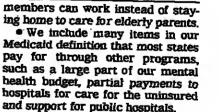
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families probably won't realize they are sharing the burden of those cuts. New York spends more on Medicaid than other states, but for several good reasons.

• In New York, Medicald pays hospitals almost the same rates that Blue Cross does. Other states cheat their hospitals out of fair payment, forcing them to shift the cost to other payers, which raises the price of health insurance.

 We pay for much more home care than other states, which means family



Our Medicaid costs have grown no faster than health care inflation generally in recent years.

Two-thirds of our Medicaid dollar pays for care for the elderly or disabled. But they are not "middle class," as Mr. Rubenstein calls them although some were before they started spending \$40,000 or more a year for a nursing home bed. There are some who have "hidden" assets, but that is a minuscule piece of the pie. Mr. Rubenstein says we should cut what we pay to hospitals. But New

York State has for years tightly regulated hospital prices. Adjusted for wages and case severity, New York hospital prices are the third lowest in the country already.

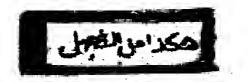
If Governor Pataki's Medicaid cuts go through, health care providers will have to cut services. Working people and their families can't afford to pay extra to make up for those cuts. RICHARD N. GOTIFRIED Chairman, New York Assembly Committee on Health

Albany, Dec. 27, 1995

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This ends my first year as foreign affairs columnist, a wonderful job for which The New York Times actually pays me to be a tourist with an attitude. Reflecting on this past year (during which I are McDonald's in 14 different countries and can report that they all REALLY DO taste the same), I have a few impressions:

Free trade and an integrated global market are inevitable, but they spread their blessings unevenly. When I was last in Mexico City, I kept seeing a man and his two children dressed in clawn outfits, entertaining motorists at a stoplight and begging for bandouts. I wondered: What could be more degrading? That man represents fnr me all of the "left-behinds" - all those who have not shared in the benefits of the global marketplace.

The hrutal global competition for investment dollars and trade is forcing companies and workers to tighten their budgets and constantly upgrade their skills in order m compete. Those who have the savvy to keep up are thriving; those who don't are panhandling at stoplights. Unfortunately, this same global competition is also forcing governments to downsize, and they are doing It by shredding their social safety nets and junking their welfare programs. So the "left-behinds" are left in free fall

The political resurgence of the Communists in Russia and Poland, the Welfare Party in Turkey, the unims in France, the unemployed in China, are all signs that the leftbehinds are starting to challenge the winners. In other words, now that the

> Four lessons of 1995.

free market is triumphing on a global basis, the most interesting conflicts are between the winners and; losers within countries. It is these internal battles that will increasingly shape international affairs.

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Belgrade's Year in Pictures

By Vladimir Arsenijevic

BELGRADE, Serbia . his November, It was so cold in the national. library here that it hurt. The heating system broke long

ago, and the library couldn't afford to fix It. So people read buddled up, wrapped in scarves and layers of clothes. I tied my own scarf more tightly as I leafed through old newspapers, from when the war in Bosnia began.

As I scanned the tattered pages, I discovered that I remembered little, and what I remembered bore only a faint resemblance to what I was reading. The pace of events in this country has always beeo such that a single year seems to include events that could have been spread out over decades. Leaning over the newspapers, I studied the photographs of politicians, military commanders,

ideologues, and overnight media sig-ures who became famous with the war. They all seemed faintly incredible, these faces bunched together like a gallery of bad caricatures.

But there were other photographs as well: pictures of demonstrations, burned houses, children with watery eyes, barricades, armed men with covered faces, demolished churches, corpses lying in the street and by muddy village fences. Many of the bodies had been covered carelessly, so that details of their nrdinariness poked out from under a blanket nr a sheet: jeans and Nike sneakers in

> Peace has changed everything and nothing.

one picture, a leg in-a torn oylon

stocking in another, little feet in muddy rubber: boots in a third. For a while as I buddled on my uncomfortable chair, T was horrified all over again. But then that passed and I simply felt cold. I had long

was reached in Dayton, Ohio - the three leaders of Serbia, Bosnia and Croatia shaking hands for the camera. But the first day of peace was a day like any other. I thrust my frozen hands into my pockets and carried on where I had left off the day before. What could peace do to me? I thought. The distant war had been unable to do anything.

There is a trend here that has gone nn longer than the peace, a kind of chaos. The sanctions that have just ended made some people super rich and others destitute, Crime in Belgrade has exploded; people shoot in the streets as if this were Moscow, Teen-agers drive expensive cars, and wealthy women stroll the shopping district, past bomeless people, refugees from the Krajina and Bosnia.

At dusk, transvestites gather on Gavrilo Princip Street, offering themselves to passers-by or chatting with police patrols. The City Council wages a drug war against Ecstasy and beroin but at the same time sponsors all-night rave-parties with English deejays and expensive light shows. A lavish reconstruction of the neglected city center is planned, and meanwhile the daily papers are de-

and Tito flew on red banners over the city. Then, a few years agn they were replaced by a kind of retro-nationalist kitsch. Even advertisements still appeared in traditional Cyrillic lettering, and Serbia's coat of arms, the white two-headed eagle, replaced the old flag. Now all that has fallen completely out of favor. The trend is cool, commercial, European; you see advertising and political posters alike in modern lettering.

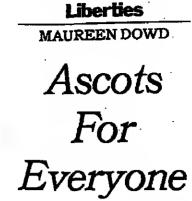
The other day, with 1996 approaching, I was getting ready to leave the city. When the peace was doubly confirmed hy the round of signings and handshakes in Paris oo Dec. 14, I found that I had started believing, a little hit, in the promised economic boom. As I hurried through the frozen city, looking around for signs of prosperity, I felt buoyed by the businesslike haste all around me.

Perhaps it's just that I really wanted it, so that's bow it appeared. Everyone appeared to be doing something important; my accelerated fellow citizens all seemed to be involved in a mad race. I quickeeed my own pace impatiently.

I would be first in line, now that

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WASHINGTON All through college, we wore the

same thing every day: Indian cotton shirts and bell-bottom jeans. As the 70's wore on, the unisex uniformity palled on me. 1 began to dream of pink marabou feathers and silver lamé and red taffeta and white vnile. (Whatever voile is.)

So imagine my chagrin, once I finally gnt in a position th afford a decent set of marabou feathers, to find the nation once again swept up in dressing down.

We're expected to be tastefully tasteless, hanging loose at the office

No denim, no dirt, no hairy legs.

on Casual Day in our J. Crew-Gap-Banana Republic uniforms.

We're expected to be infused with feelings of equality and collegiality. We're expected to engage in what management experts call "a ritual of

relaxation." If you actually relax, as your body

likes to do once it gets into weekend clothes, it could get dicey. Befnre you knnw it, you'll be lulled by the sociable blur of plaid and khaki into telling your boss about the time you used his oame to get Springsteen tickets.

Office politics in a faux-democracy where bosses dress like mail clerks is even mnre treacherous.

Many women whn have struggled to rise in the corporate ranks feel a loss of power and control when they switch to informal clothes and come to work indistinguishable from their secretaries. They worry they are not yet as deft as men at conveying authority merely through speech patterns and body language.

Men bave gotten so confused that GQ has devoted its January issue to helping them "rampup" to the weekend, enumerating a list of casual-Friday crimes:

• No denim shirts. Too ordinary, and, frankly, too thirtysomething." No logo T-shirts, no jeans, no eakers.

most striking things about Mexico and Haiti is how the wealthy live behind high walls with tinted windows. What those walls and windows say is not only "Keep Out." They say, "I don't care about you on the other side." That absence of a sense of community, that absence of a sense that we are all in this together. is going to seriously inhihit these states. from developing into stable democracies - particularly as economic forces widen the gap between their winners and losers.

Democracy is great, but trees are better: Haitians are so poor they chopped down most of their forests for firewood. This resulted in massive land erosion, which filled the Haitian coastline with silt and ruined the fishing. Treeless, the Haitian mountainsides beated up more quickly and that changed the weather. Rainfall patterns changed and rivers dried up.

During the recent Haitian elections, I watched a Haitian man slaughtering a pig outside a voting booth. He wasn't the least hit interested in voting. He was interested in selling his pig. It's great that the U.S. is promoting elections in Haiti, Bosnia and Gaza, but what these people need just as badly are pigs to slaughter and trees to plant. If we don't invest in their economic development, these new democracies will erode as fast a Haitian hillside.

No country heals in a year: During the cold war Americans were ready to sacrifice for foreign policy because its aim was fighting Communism, which was both a vital interest and an idealistic cause. Increasingly, though, U.S. foreign policy has focused on healing failed states - Somalia, Haiti, Bosnia, Mexico where we have some important interests, but where we are driven more by an idealistic impulse m help others in distress at a time when America alone has the power to make a difference.

To sell this new mix of realism and idealism to an ambivalent U.S. public, the Administration has said it would only send snme soldiers or some money for a year nr so, to give these states a chance to straighten themselves out. Then the U.S. will leave - whether they succeed or not. That approach was easy in far-away Somalia. But Haiti, Bosnia and Mexico are different. You can't just give them the old college try and walk away: Haitians can sail to Florida. Mexico owes us \$12.5 hillion and Bosnia is now a huge NATO issue. In 1996 Americans will discover that 12 months isn't enough time to make a lasting difference in these ailing countries, but walking away isn't an option either. That's why how to help these countries over the long term, at a price the U.S. public will tolerate, will be the next big U.S. foreign policy debate.

Vladimir Arsenijevic is the author of a forthcoming novel, "In the Hold." This essay was translated from the

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Serbian by Celia Hawkesworth

since stopped being seriously upset or moved by anything.

I sat in the library, day after day. And then, in the midst of my established routine, a peace settlement

voted to the prostitution, drugs, crime and murder. Refugees and

ravers all sleep in the parks. Once, portraits of Marx, Engels

peace was here - such as it was and, now that the oew year was approaching, to become that splendid dual being of the modern age, consumer and taxpayer.

Balancing the Budget, L.B.J. Style

By Joseph A. Califano Ir.

ith Speaker Newt Gingrich nuking the Great Society at just about every opportunity in the budget debate and with President Clinton omitting Lyndon B. Johnson in just about every list he recites of great Democratic Presidents, both might be surprised to learn that the last

Joseph A. Califano Jr. was President Lyndon B. Johnson's assistant for domestic affairs and Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare in the Carter Administration

ailing the media as "thin-skinned" is like calling a cinched-up. Brahma bull "ornery." They bristle up like a porcupine

every time I take them on, and I do love to take on the media since I believe the First Amendment belongs to me, too. I did just that during my retirement speech here in my home town early this month. My remarks lasted 70 minutes, the longest I've ever rambled on in public. And during that rather lengthy oratory, I spent about three minutes describing various sbortcomings of the news media. I could well have spent longer.

Now, oddly enough, that is often the very first subject I am asked about whenever I do an interview with any reporter about my retirement. Think about that. These are the very same felks who are ruminating around Washington in pursuit of the "news" and the first thing they

Alan K. Simpson, a Republican of Wyoming, announced this month that he is retiring from the Senate.

time the Government collected more money than it spent was in fiscal 1969, the year of L.B.J.'s last budget. How Johnson and Congress got there might be instructive to today's halanced-budget gladiators.

L.B.J. spent the political capital accumulated in his Presidential landslide to push through Congress some 200 pieces of Great Society legislation. This included Medicare. Medicaid, and aid to education.

Then in the 1966 midterm elections, the Democrats lost 47 seats in the House and 3 in the Senate. Though the Democrats still controlled both houses of Congress, the liberal majorities were gone, and conservatives read the debacle as a mandate to put the brakes on the Great Society programs. Their leader was Wilbur Mills, the powerful

Hint: both sides gave in a little.

conservative Democrat who was chairman of the House Ways and Mean Committee.

In his 1967 State of the Union Message, Johnson asked for a 6 percent surcharge on individual and corporate taxes to finance the rising costs of the Vietoam War and to expand social programs. Mills promptly demanded deep cuts in domestic spending before he would allow bearings on any tax increase. Initially, John-

I Have Been Sound-Bit

By Alan K. Simpson

Interesting craft, journalism, I offer the following as one possible

reason: This particular industry can be defined using the five "c's": It is more interested in conflict, controversy and cleverness than in clarity.

Some advice for the press in 1996.

Oh, yes, the fifth "c" is for those who labor in television news who must be adroitly coiffed.

'As I pointed out in my retirement speech, while we in Congress were passing bipartisan legislation on unfunded mandates, gift and lobbying reform, clean air and safe drinkingwater standards - the list goes on the media were babbling about "gridlock."

No wonder people think nothing. bappens in Washington. Yat for all its influence, the media are the only unaccountable branch of society. I must report to the voters, lawyers have to account to the bar, doctors have to account to their respective boards, but to whom does the press fault with the rest of us."

report? Nn one.

But, as I told the audience in Cody, when you decide m level one on them, they unravel the tattered cloak of the First Amendment, drape it around their hunched shoulders, and go out howling into the night vapors about the "chilling effect." What hogwash. I would never propose and never have proposed restricting them in any way. But I would opine that when citizens hold both Congress and the media in such low esteem, there is surely "trouble in River City."

The public mistrust of both these institutions is a bitter prescription for further acrimony out in the land. How is a free society to function when citizens and voters believe the worst about newsmakers and newscasters?

Where do we go from here? Let me suggest to the media a simple idea: respond, don't react. Instead of juxtaposing opposing sound bites, do a little digging and find out what fuels all the hot air. Presenting people with their real problems, not just emotional posturing, would surely make a difference. News, not views, As my mother was fond of saying: There is so much good in the worst of us and so much bad in the best of us that it ill behooves any of as to find

son resisted but by late 1967 he signaled his willingness to accept \$2 hillion in reductions in domestic spending. His concession angered liberal Democrats, but it only whet Mills's appetite for more cuts.

Mills aimed his general criticism at Johnson's Great Society, but his nonnegotiable target was Aid to Families With Dependent Children. the welfare program passed under Franklin D. Roosevelt. Mills proposed an amendment freezing benefits so as to limit the number of outof-wedlock children eligible fnr payments.

Johnson called Mills tn the White House. At a meeting I attended, the President argued that the freeze was unfair. No one could predict how many children would be on welfare, he said, and besides they were poor and innocent. But Congress adopted Mills's freeze in payments and went home for Christmas without increasing taxes.

By 1968, L.B.J.'s need for a tax increase was even mnre acute. So was pressure from conservatives th slash domestic spending. They demanded a \$6 billion budget cut as the price of a tax surcharge. Johnson was willing to settle for \$4 billion. The exchanges got testy. L.B.J. accused Mills and the House Republican leader, Gerald Fnrd, nf "courting danger" by holding up "a tax hill until you can blackmail someone into getting your own personal viewpoint on reductions." Mills was furious but didn't back down.

Finally, Johnson accepted a Congressional mandate to cut \$6 billion from domestic spending, and Congress eased the freeze on welfare payments and gave him not a 6 percent but a 10 percent tax surcharge. As it turned out, Congress was unable to cut eveo \$4 hillion in domestic spending, and Johnson refused to make any reductions beyond those voted on Capitol Hill.

Today, President Clinton is resisting a tax cut and hattling pressures to cut social spending. Mr. Gingrich isn't backing down on cuts in social spending. We don't know what the result will be. But 27 years ago, with each side giving in a little, L.B.J.'s final budget delivered a \$3.2 billion surplus and preserved Great Society programs aimed at the most vuinerable Americans.

• No baseball caps. Ynu are not David Geffen or Steven Spielberg. No hiking boots you've actually hiked in.

• No shorts. We don't care what kind of legs you have - exposing your hairy, bare, knobby knees to coworkers violates OSHA guidelines. Nn holes, tears nr tatters, and no stains or dirt of any kind.

What has the free world come to when professionals have to be instructed nnt to wear dirty clothes to the office?

The London Evening Standard lamented that a white-collar executive who affects the look of a hhue-coliar worker is merely a "slohboman."

But the trend has spread from L.B.M. to the White House, where Bill Clinton has instituted the first dressdown Presidency. (The cardigan era of Jimmy Carter nnw looks positively Armani.)

Newark's husiness administrator, Glenn Grant, got so disgusted at seeing a large expanse of employee skin - bulging out of ripped jeans and tank tops - that be recently called a balt in dress-down Fridays.

The rest of the country should follow suit. In honor of New Year's Eve, I would like to propose that we do away with dress-down day and replace it with dress-up day.

As Baudelaire wrote in his essay "In Praise of Cosmetics," external finery is "nne nf the signs nf the primitive nobility of the human soul."

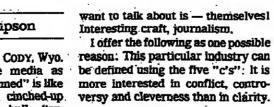
Every Friday would be Fnrmal Day. Men could wear black tie. velvet smoking jackets, ascots, riding breeches, bespoke suits, three-ply cashmere hlazers and 300-threadcount Egyptian cotton shirts. Women could wear, as they used to say in nid Sears catalogues, "glamorous dressup frocks with quality fabric and finish that flatter all figures."

At 4 P.M. would be high tea, with Vivaldi and watercress sandwiches with the crusts cut off. At 6, there would be a cocktail party with Chet Baker on the CD and Oregoo chardonnays. We could all debate the Emma Thompson-Kenneth Branagh split, deciding if we are "Emma people" or "Ken people," and talk about how we are "re-reading" Jane Austen

Instead of letting down your guard, as you are wont to do in khakis, you could wave your cigarette holder and put down your rival with a biting Noel Coward line: "You're a viletempered, loose-living, wicked little beast, and I never want to see you again so long as 1 live," or "You're nothing but a rampaging gas bag."

It's a dandy idea, because if we're going to have sartorial conniptions, we may as well look good doing it. It's all about illusions, anyhow. The fauxaristocracy of rentals matches the faux-democracy of the Gap in illustrating that central fact of American life: Appearances matter.

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It's 1945 at the Brasserie Lipp in Paris And Picasso, a Seducer, Is in Charge

Fresh from 'Nixon,' Anthony **Hopkins tackles** an art world

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By ALAN RIDING

PARIS HE Brasserie Lipp's last diners had barely shuffled out into the chill of a strikebound Paris at 1:30 one morning this month when the famous Left Bank hangout suddenly came alive again. Tables were quickly reset, wine bottles were opened, and new guests arrived, this time 75 movie extras, the men dressed in dashing corduroy and tweed suits, the women in fur coats and satin dresses, with flowerv hais balanced precariously on headfuls of curls. The large clock in the brasserie was turned back to read 8:30 P.M. It was also turned back 50 years to postwar Paris.

On cue, Pablo Picasso, the reigning Prince of St. Germain-des-Pres, appeared, accompanied by two of the many women who peopled his life. Dora Maar and Françoise Gilot. The Lipp was ooisy and crowded, as well as Ismail Merchant, with James Ivory as director and a and Picasso, in the stocky shape of screenplay by Ruth Prawer Jhab-Anthony Hopkins, clearly enjoyed vala. It covers the period from 1943, being recognized. (Mr. Hopkins bewhen Françoise first met Picasso, to gan filming "Picasso" soon after completing Oliver Stone's "Nixon.") 1953, when she finally walked out on him, taking with her their two chil-But Picasso's mind was elsedren, Claude and Paloma. where. He wanted to change his chief But Picasso's other women are mistress, replacing the older Dora,

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Warner Brothers by David Wolper

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also very much present: his abanplayed by Julianne Moore, with doned first wife, the dancer Olga Françoise, played by Natascha Koklova (played by Jane Lapo-McElhone. But first Françoise wanttaire); Dora Maar, a Yugoslav ed Dora's pledge that Dora's long painter; his ever-loyal mistress Maaffair with Picasso was over. So he rie-Thérèse Walter (Susannah took them both to dinner and as Harker), and his second wife, Jacqueline Roque (Diane Venora). As Well, almost always. Françoise ever, then, everything revolves was indeed drawn into his web, but a around Picasso. But the film makdecade or so later she became the ers have chosen to detail the man only one of Picasso's lovers to esand his life rather than the artist and cape, if not unscathed, at least sane his oeuvre. enough to eojoy a rich and full life

Biographical movies about crewithout him. She told ber story in her ators (Beethoven, Mozart, Tchaikov-1964 book, "Life With Picasso," and, sky, van Gogh, Rodin and Rimbaud in a sense, it is recold in "Surviving amoog them) have rarely focused on their acts of creativity because their Picasso," the latest Merchant-fvory film, which has just completed lives - visually, at least - were shooting in Paris and is due in theamore interesting.

"How often can you take shots of the artist doing something with a chisel and a piece of marble?" Mr. lvory asked, sipping coffee in the Brasserie Lipp before the evening's work began. "Or a writer sitting in his room writing a couple of lines? Or a painter painting? What's interesting is how their lives shaped their art, what caused the art to be the kind of thing that it was."

In this case, as it happens, the Merchant-Ivory-Jhabvala team had little choice. Ms. Gilot, 74, who now lives in New York, disliked the screenplay and refused to cooperate with the film. While she was unable to prevent it from being made, her son, Claude, who administers the Picasso estate for the rest of the family, decided that no Picasso paintings or reproductions could be shown in the movie,

"For higher reasons of state, you might say, the Picassos decided it was not a good idea to make a film about Picasso," Mr. fvory said. "We now know that it's simply because Claude Picasso himself wanted to make a film about Picasso."

Claude Picasso and Ms. Gilot refused further comment on the matter, although Mr. fvory said he still

Locations for the \$16 million film posed no such problem. Beach scenes and other sunny exteriors were shot in the South of France, where Picasso is also shown meeting Matisse. A version of Picasso's studio on the Rue des Grands-Augustins was built at Pinewood Studios outside London.

And locations in Paris, where the Merchant-lvory team made "Jefferson in Paris" last year, included the Pont Royal and the Café de Flore as well as the Brasserie Lipp. Mr. Ivory was even allowed to take over the Place de la Concorde one Sunday morning in August, somehow managing to shoot scenes of both the German occupation and the liberation of Paris between dawn and 11 A.M.

"We had 400 German soldiers and a marching band and then American soldiers being mobbed by Parisians, all in one day." he recalled.

There was also ample material available to guide Mrs. Jhabvala, whose film credits include the screenplay adaptations for Merchant fvory's award-winning movies 'Howards End" and "The Remains of the Day." Ms. Gilot would not sell the rights to "Life With Picasso," but Warner, which first suggested the Picasso idea to Merchant-lvory, already owned the rights to Arianna Stassinopoulos Huffington's 1988 biography, "Picasso: Creator and De-stroyer." And this included lengthy interviews with Ms. Gilot as well as extensive details of the artisl's turbulent love life,

To write the screenplay, Ms. Jhabvala also tapped other biographies, including that of Brassaï, the legendary photographer. She believes her script is largely true to Picasso's life during his years with Ms. Gilot.

Certainly, women were always important to his art.

"Each served as his Muse and was then discarded," Mr. lvory noted. 'Each gradually ceased to interest him very much, except in a kind of negative way. And as his love for her faded, as her influence on him became a negative one, an irritating one, his paintings reflected that.

"There was that wooderful exhibition at the Museum of Modern Art in New York a couple of years ago called 'Picasso's Weeping Women.' It covered Olga, Marie-Thérèse and Dora. They start out as perfections and loving and, in Olga's case, quite

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Anthony Hopkins as Pablo Picasso in "Surviving Picasso."

realistic. Then they become more and more distorted, tormented, terrifying, and their faces turn from fairly beautiful womeo into something grotesque."

That Picasso created an emotional disaster zone around himself is well known. Outside the period of this movie, Olga and Dora became mentally unbalanced before they died of natural causes. Marie-Therèse, with whom Picasso had a daughter, Maya, hanged herself in 1977, four years after the artist's death. Jacqueline shot herself in 1986. Paulo, Picasso's soo with Olga, was an alcoholic much of his life and died in 1975, Paulo's son, Pablito, committed suicide by drinking bleach two years earlier.

So what was Picasso's appeal? Mr. Hopkins, 57, who shed 25 pounds after "Nixon," said it had taken him time to "feel" Picasso physically.

"I looked at lots of photographs of him and what film there is and tried to get the spirit of the man," he said during a break in filming. "He was full of energy and life. In the photographs, you see he was the maestro, the master of everyone around him. He was probably the classic male chauvinist pig, he treated women abominably, yet he was an incredible man. I'm sure i would have been seduced by him, taken into his aura. I think people who generate such energy and color in their lives are seductive, like flames. You get a

great sense of power from it." But Ms. McElhone, the 25-year-old English actress who is making her movie debut as Françoise, was not convinced

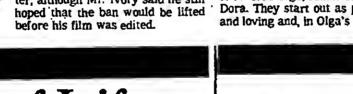
"Anthony-does him lots of favors because he brings out the playful side of Picasso and makes his vindictiveness lighter," she said. "But if he were played the way he was, we wouldn't have a hero, not today. Picasso is everything I loathe in a man, absolutely everything. That kind of deep manipulation of finding the weakness in someone and exploiting it to its maximum, 1 find that so repellent. Everyone says his genius was seductive. Yet he only ever put that genius into his work. He never gave it to anyone else.

Whether Picasso's genius will be visible through this warts-and-all portraval of his life has still to be seen. For Mr. Ivory, though, the film has at least completed a circle in his life. In the late 1940's, he was an art student at the University of Oregon where, he said, "Picasso's influence was all-pervasive." When he first came to Paris in 1950, he was therefore dismayed not to find Picasso sitting in the Cafe de Flore, across from the Brasserie Lipp.

At long last, the art-studentturned-director has been able to place Picasso exactly where he should have been sitting 45 years ago. In this case, art was able to correct life.



Natascha McElhone plays Françoise Gilot in "Surviving Picasso."



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Rampant Signs of Life At a Legendary Studio

By STEPHEN KINZER

Potsdam, Germany N a cold, gray winter's day few weeks ago, a lone figure trudged through the German snow. Blood trickled down his face, and the back of his jacket bore the chilling letters "KG" for Kriegsgefangener: prisoner of war.

John Malkovich was on his way to work at the historic Babelsberg film studio here, a few miles from downtown Berlin. After applying his bloody makeup and donning a wei suit under his prisoner's outfit, he walked toward the hall where classics like "The Blue Angel" and "Metropolis" were filmed decades ago.

fnside, the director Volker Schlöndorff and his crew were waiting. This was to be the last day of filming for "The Ogre," in which Mr. Malkovich plays a simple-minded French soldier who is captured by the Nazis and falls under the spell of his East Prussian jailers.

In this last scene of the film, Allied troops are closing in. Mr. Malkovich's character is wading through a deep swamp carrying a young Jewish boy he has rescued. Even this late into the filming, however, the scene presents a problem. In the Michel Tournier novel "The Ogre," on which the screenplay is based, the ending is ambiguous about whether or not the prisoner escapes.

But the film, Mr. Schlöndorff feels, needs a concrete ending, and no one has yet decided which way it should go

Mr. Malkovich, who was acclaimed for his performances in films as diverse as "Dangerous Liaisons" and "In the Line of Fire," believes his character should drown. Ingrid Windisch, the film's co-producer, wants him to live. The final decision will be left to Mr. Schlöndorff, one of Europe's most respected directors and an Academy Award winner for his 1979 film "The Tin Drum.

Now, with Mr. Malkovich ready to plunge into the studio's ersatz swamp, the director has still not made up his mind. Instead of simply shooting the film's 167th and final scene, he rules, there will be two scenes, numbered 167/1 and 167/2. In duction facilities. More than one feathe first, Mr. Malkovich struggles ture film per month is being comthrough the swamp and emerges on pleted at Babelsberg, both low-budg-

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the other side. In the second, he disappears beneath the water. "I'm going to wait until later to choose." Mr. Schlöndorff explained. The film will decide." No one protests, because all trust

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the master and are glad to see him directing again.

John Malkovich

floats in an ersatz swamp in a once-decrepit

German studio.

For the last three years, Mr. Schlöndorff has been working as a business executive, trying to rescue the Babelsberg studio from the long decline it suffered when Potsdam was part of East Germany. It is an unlikely role for a director of artistic films like "The Lost Honor of Katharina Blum," "Swann in Love" and most recently, "Homo Faber." In 1984, Mr. Schlöndorff moved to

New York and began a successful American career doing stage and television productions, among them 'Death of a Salesman'' starring Mr. Malkovich and Dustin Hoffman. But when Germany was unified in 1990, he decided to return. He dreamed of revitalizing Babelsberg.

The studio, which was owned by East Germany for more than 40 years, was bought in 1992 by a French investment consortium, Compagnie Générale des Eaux. The new owners named Mr. Schlöndorff, who had no business background, to run it.

"To me this place is holy ground," he said, "because it was Fritz Lang and Murnau who made me want to become a film maker in the first place. But I think we may have emphasized the past too much. People get the idea that this is an old place, and don't realize how much we've done to modernize it."

fn three years, Mr. Schlöndorff has made remarkable progress. The studio's new owners, who paid \$100 million to buy it, have poured in another \$75 million to make it one of the world's most advanced film pro-

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et European productions and international ones like "A Couch in New York" (filmed here last spring) with William Hurt and Juliette Binoche. Soap operas and dramas for German television are also made here, and a German television channel is building its own studio on the f20acre complex. But Mr. Schlöndorff is relieved to

be back behind the camera. "I started here on Sept. 1, 1992," he recalled, "That was the day I signed my liberty and independence away. But f found it again in this project. Ultimately, if f could be a director in residence and someone eise could run it, that would be my ideal." Filming for "The Ogre" began

last spring. Most of the shooting was on location in France and Poland, with a short trip to Norway to film scenes in which Mr. Malkovich's character befriends a blind elk.

The Air Force Minister Hermann Göring, a passionate hunter, notices him and adopts him as a kind of houseboy at the East Prussian castle Göring has commandeered.

"He's a French car mechanic, not an incredibly bright fellow, who has delusions of grandeur," Mr. Malkovich said in describing the character. "He becomes a recruiter for a Waffen SS school, and he never quite understands why they don't want non-German kids there.

"The film is about the Nazi in us," he said.

The German-French-British-Polish team behind the co-production includes some of Europe's finest film and theatrical talent. Three of the main supporting roles are played by ourstanding German performers: Marianne Sägebrecht, Volker Spengler and Armin Mueller-Stahl. The screenplay is by Jean-Claude Carriere, whose credits include "Belle de Jour," "The Unbearable Lightness of Being" and "Danton."

On the final day of filming, the studio where the Interior of Göring's castle had beeo reconstructed - the same studio where Emil Jannings and Marlene Dietrich once worked - was decorated with giant red ribbons for a cast party.

On an adjacent set, as cameras rolled, Mr. Malkovich slogged through his swamp for scene 167/1, and then drowned for 167/2.

When the actor emerged after drowning, Mr. Schlöndorff kissed 138 Birthplace of grunge 35 Gain mck 36 Chil him on both cheeks and yelled, "It's a wrap!"

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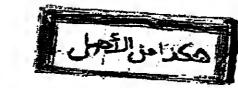
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FEATURES

Monday, January 1, 1996 Justices: Courts have right to review statutes

In the Supreme Court, sitting as a Court of Civil Appeals, before the president, Justice Aharon Barak, former president, Meir Shamgar, and justices Dov Levin, Eliezer Goldberg, Gavriel Bach, Eliyahu Mazza, Mishael Che-shin, Zevi Tal and Yitzhak Zamir, in the matters of the United Mizrahi Bank Ltd., and others, appellants, versus Migdal Cooperative Village and others, respondents (C.A. 6821/93, L.A.[C] 1908/94 and 3363/94).

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TN 1986, the Knesset passed the Agricultural Family Sector Arrangements Law to relieve farmers who were then facing a financial crisis.

The Law provided special mechanisms for the payment of debts incurred before December 31, 1987, depriving creditors of the relief usually available to them through the courts and execution procedures.

In 1993, an amending Law was passed relating, inter alia, to the assessment of debts and extending the date of their being incurred until December 31, 1991.

Section 3 of the Basic Law: The Dignity and Freedom of Man, of 1992, forbids violation of a person's property and, under section 8. "there shall be no violation of rights under this Basic Law except by a Law befitting the values of the State of Israel, enacted for a proper purpose, and to an extent no greater than required."

Three creditors took action in the District Court for repayment of the debts, submitting that the Arrangements Law and its amendment were in breach of section 3 and therefore invalid. The debtors, however, relied mainly on section 8, contending that the Arrangements Law and amendment satisfied the three conditions in that section. Since the same legal questions arose in each case, the court decided to deal with them together.

JUSTICE SHAMGAR delivered the first judgment. In a wide-. ranging analysis, he dealt with the principles involved under several heads: the applicability of the Basic Law to the aboveamending statute of 1993; the relationship between Basic and ordinary laws; the relative importance of Basic Laws, ordinary

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laws and regulations; the place of constitutional legislation; the difference between change and violation of a statute; the bases of constitutional jurisdiction; the unlimited - though sometimes self-limited - jurisdiction of the Knesset; and the application of the principles of the Basic Laws: the Dignity and Freedom of Man and Freedom of Occupation; the interpretation of sections 3 and 8 of the Dignity and Freedom Basic Law, and the function of the courts.

Israeli legislation is built on a normative scale, he wrote in his conclusions, at the top of which are constitutional enactments called Basic Laws which will eventually be merged into a complete constitution. The Basic Laws: the Dignity and Freedom of Man and the Freedom of Occupation, of 1992, are constitutional legislation.

The supreme legislature is the Knesset, which is empowered to enact constitutional and ordinary laws, and regulations contained in a law.

The two Basic Laws he mentioned may only be amended, repealed or violated by, or by virtue of, a Basic Law, and the same should apply to all Basic Laws. The Knesset may legislate to limit its own powers in the future; an amendment to a Law passed after the Basic Law: The Dignity and Freedom of Man, is subject to that Basic Law; the power of reviewing the constitutional nature of legislation rests with the court; the 1993 amendment to the above Arrangements Law violates the property rights embodied in the Dignity and Freedom Basic Law, but since the conditions in section 8 are fulfilled, the amendment is valid; and Basic Laws, as construed in this judgment, are the bulwark of the citizen's rights and freedoms.

JUSTICE BARAK said the enactment of the above Basic Laws was a revolutionary step marking Israel's entry into the family of constitutional democracies. After the ravages of the first half of the . 20th century, including the Holocaust, the second half saw the introduction of constitutional legislation to safeguard human rights, aimed at taking them out of the realm of party political conflict.

Although these rights were recognized in the Declaration of Independence and by the courts, the two Basic Laws ensured their fall protection. Citing many precedents and le-

gal texts, he examined in detail the Knesset's power to pass constitutional legislation; its relationship with ordinary laws; its amendment by Basic Laws; the rule of law and the importance of objective judicial review; the right to property in section 3 of the Dignity and Freedom Basic Law, and the burden of proving such violation; and the three conditions in section 8 of the Basic Law.

In summarizing his conclusions, he held that the Basic Law: The Dignity and Freedom of Man, is a constitutional statute of higher status than an ordinary law which the Knesset is empow ered to enact. The legality of ordinary laws dealing with human rights is to be tested in the light of the Basic Law, and it may only be amended by another Basic Law, he wrote.

An ordinary law may not affect right accorded under a Basic Law, and an Israeli court is empowered to test the validity of an ordinary Law in the light of a Basic Law, and to invalidate an ordinary law which does not fulfill the conditions laid down in a Basic Law, Justice Barak wrote,

A man's property under section 3 of the Dignity and Freedom Law includes debts owing to him; the question of "the extent no greater than required" in section 8 of the Dignity and Freedom Basic Law is one of degree based on logical analysis. In the present cases, he wrote, the conditions in section 8 have been fulfilled.

In conclusion, the president urged all government agencies and the public to be more aware of human rights and the needs of weaker sections of the population.

It was not for the courts, he said, to fix priorities and lay down policy; their function was to ensure the legality of what was done, with care and objectivity, and to ensure that the constitution was strictly observed.

This is the first of two parts.

Egypt's intellectual dove

Saad-eddin Ibrahim's attitude toward Israel was transformed by the Gulf war and the Oslo accords, reports Yosef Goell

R. Saad-eddin Ibrahim is probably the first Egyptian intellectual of stature to see Israel in peaceful terms. Here as a joint initiator - with the Spinoza Society of Israel - of a recent conference entitled "Is Tolerance Possible in the Middle East?" Ibrahim sounded upbeat

about Israel-Egypt relations. "The 50 to 100 years of conflict between our two countries may go down in history as an aberration in a relationship otherwise known for its tolerance," he told the conference

"For years, I lived 70 meters away from the residence of the Israeli ambassador in Cairo, but I never crossed that divide and never talked to him. I simply wasn't psychologically prepared for such a step for a long time."

This unreadiness is hardly unusual among Ibrahim's peers. It is largely due to Egyptian intellectuals, academics, and members of the free professions that the peace between Israel and Egypt has been so cold.

Israeli expectations for "normalization," for progress from peace between political leaders to one between the people themselves, have clearly not been met. The Egyptian Bar Association

demonstratively burns the American and Israeli flags on every anniversary of the signing of the 1979 peace treaty.

Egyptian newspapers regularly feature anti-Israel and antisemitic articles and especially cartoons that vie with those of the Nazi Der Stürmer in vitriol.

No Israeli academic wonld dare visit the campuses of Al Azhar, Cairo and As-Shams universities, where professors and students compete in expressing their hatred of Israel.

Egyptian medics have rejected



Dr. Ibrahim believes that the Egyptian cold peace will thaw as Israeli attitudes change regarding Palestinians. (Sarit Uziely)

- or been forced by the government to reject - countless overtures from their Israeli counterparts for dialogue and conperation.

The same is true of Egyptian journalists, teachers, student unions, and a myriad of grassroots social organizations who have still not come to terms with the idea of peace with Israel.

In contrast to the virulence of Egyptian intellectuals, Israel's academics, artistic and literary communities and the opinion makers in the media are very definitely on the dovish side of the political divide. And, since the beginning of the Israeli tourist onslaught, the Egyptian man in the street has shown effusive warmth in welcoming Israeli visitors.

IBRAHIM described his change of heart before the opening session of the conference at Jerusa-. lem's Khan Theater, and expressed his surprise and delight at the extremely warm welcome accorded him and his wife here. for Development Studies.

In an interview at Jerusalem's American Colony Hotel, Ibrahim explained the basis of his earlier opposition to the peace treaty and normalization with Israel.

"I was 10 when the 1952 revolution hroke out and, like all members of my generation. I was a dedicated Nasserist Arah nationalist ever since I attained political maturity," he said.

Ibrahim was born to a wealthy family in a village in the Nile Delta and went to Cairo to study for his BA. He headed the Egyptian students' union hnt, despite his support of Nasser, he was put on the regime's hlacklist in the mid-1960s for criticizing the regime. For his own safety, he left the country and went to the US to complete his MA at UCLA, and his Ph.D in political sociology at Washington University.

He returned to Egypt in the 1970s, after Sadat had succeeded Nasser, and went on to teach at Cairo's American University. More recently he founded and headed the Ibn Khaldoun Center

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He said that Sadat made peace with Israel when he realized, following the Egyptian defeats in the Six Day and Yom Kippur wars, that there could be no military solution to the conflict with Israel: and that neither of the superpowers would permit their regional client states to win or lose completely.

Ten years after Sadat's assassination in 1981, Ibrahim published a book on his conversations with him on this and other subjects. The reason he opposed Sadat's Israel initiative, he said, was that he and other intellectuals were neither informed about, nor permitted to be part of, the process.

Ibrahim admitted that it took him some time to understand and agree with - Sadat's policies on modernizing, Westernizing and democratizing Egypt. He added, however, that he was sorely disappointed when he discovered, in 1980-81, that Sadat had put his plans for fostering more democracy in Egypt on hold.

Ibrahim changed his attitude to Israel when he saw the Iraqi army ravaging Kuwait, and Israel being the victim of Iraqi Scud attacks during the Gulf war. His new position was reinforced hy the Oslo agreements of September 1993.

Many Egyptians' views of Israel, he said, were formed primarily by their perception of the unfairness of the Israeli attitude towards the Palestinians.

Once they hegin to see a change in that attitude - as he has - they will come round, he believes.

In an emotional address to the conference's closing session. Ibrahim referred to reactions to the Rabin assassination. He said that, among Arabs and Jews, there were those who were appalled by the murder and also some who were overjoyed by it.

This, he said, was an example of the cross-cutting effects of that event on both societies.

That a Jew had assassinated an Israeli prime minister also meant that "none of us had a monopoly on the moral high ground and that Israelis were normal human beings, for better and worse, just like us Arabs."

Ibrahim could just be the swallow that heralds the coming of spring and the thaw in the cold peace with Egypt.

Sea cucumbers' salad days are over, thanks to exploitation

THE Galapagos Islands off the coast of South America have long held a special place in the history of conservation. It was here that, almost 150 years ago, Charles Darwin first outlined his theory of evolution and the differentiation of species. But today the unique wildlife of the Galapagos Islands is in such danger that environmental experts fear it may become totally extinct within the next couple of decades.

The Galapagos Islands are a province of Ecuador.

Since tourism, specifically eco-tourism, has boosted the income of the islanders to several times higher than that of the average Ecuadorian, numerous people from the mainland have moved to the islands. This internal migration is allowed by law.

Over the past decade or so, an average of three Ecuadorians per day have opted for life

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on the islands, raising their population by an astounding 50,000.

While there has been a definite rise in the standard of living for the 5,000 to 7,000 people already there, largely due to the boons of eco-tourism and work in the nature reserves, the visits of 60,000-plus people every day are more than the islands can support.

Furthermore, many Ecuadorians do not have much respect for environmental laws, which they see as arbitrary rulings that limit their personal freedom.

In 1992, after a 10-year ban on fishing for sea cucumbers protected the dwindling population of this sea creature (so desired as a delicacy in the Far East), the Ecuadorian government yielded to the fishermen's entreaties and issued a permit to fish and sell 500,000 adult sea cucumbers.

By the end of the scason, the government was forced to ban the fishing and export of sea cucumbers because a total of abont seven million had been caught, and sold.

The sea cucumbers were in danger of extinction as fishermen had caught and sold not only adults but half-grown and even younger sea cucumbers.

As more and more Ecuadorians pour into the islands, more and more land is needed for housing, shops and infrastructure.

So now the amazing wildlife of the islands must compete for land with those who came to exploit the wildlife as a tourist attraction.

The settlers are killing the goose that laid the golden egg.

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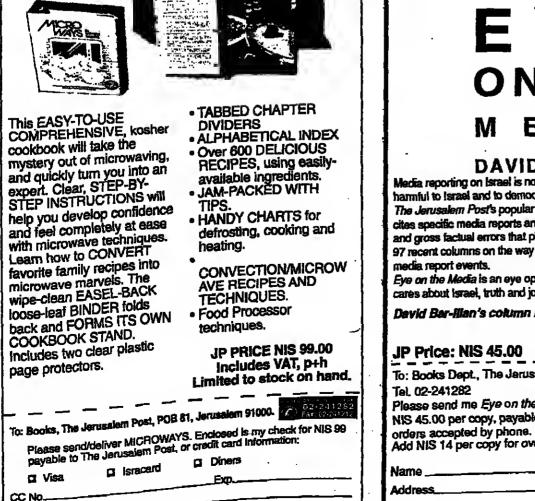
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Claims up against banks

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CUSTOMER claims filed against banks rose 31 percent in 1995 to NIS 275 million from NIS 210m. in 1994.

The increase was mainly due to large sums claimed by local authorities and councils, said Sagi Interest Accounts geoeral manager Amnon Shurtz yesterday.

"I estimate that if this trend cootinues, coupled with a demand for interest rebates from the kibbutz movement, the volume of claims against banks will grow enormously in 1996," he said.

The preferred bank policy is an out-of-court settlement, he said, as opposed to past policies, which teoded to turn matters over to the court system.

Shurtz said banks paid out NIS 38m. in interest rebates to Sagi customers. all in out-of-court deals, during 1995's secood half.

'Public insists banks keep Friday hours'

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MOST people want their banks opeo of Fridays, and some would eveo transfer their accouots to one that is, according to a new survey.

Of those surveyed, 66 perceot said Friday bank hours are very important, and 24% said if some banks were closed on Fridays they would traosfer their accounts to those banks that did not close.

Seveo perceot said they would solve the problem by opening an additional account.

Of those who would consider transferring or opening a second account, hetween 70% and 80% are relatively young, well educated and in a high income bracket.

"The populatioo which would be most damaged by [proposed] Friday hank closures is the heart of the Israeli market," said Consumer Council head Zvi Ramot, who yesterday submitted the survey results to Supervisor of Banks Ze'ev Abeles.

The public needs must be coosidered, Ramot said in requesting that baoks oot be closed on Fridays.

He warned that if the banks unilaterally decide oo Friday closures, he would appeal to Super-ISTEC Capital Markets officially visor of Monopolies Yoram confirmed yesterday that princi-Turbowicz to examice whether ple shareholder Avihu Horowitz such a move would constitute a is under house arrest until January 11.

Of those who felt Friday hours Horowitz, suspected of pocketwere important, 77% were 54 ing large sums of company funds years of age or younger (the seoand share manipulation, was actimeot was particularly stroog cused oo Friday of failure to reamoog those between 18-34 years port with inteot to deceive, causof age); 80% had a bachelor's ing erroneous informatioo to be degree or higher and 75% had poblished in company reports, moothly incomes of NIS 5,000 or deception and betraval of trust.

On Thursday, TASE investiga-"Not only will the market tors entered the Istec head office plummet but if the Monopolies on Tel Aviv's Hayarkon Street. Commission does not coordinate Horowitz was brought hefore herween the haoks as to their Tel-Aviv Magistrates-Courtwork days, those baoks which Judge Michal Sharir for remand close oo Fridays will lose their on Friday and was released on more important customers," Ra-NIS 200,000 bail. Two weeks ago, Istec's accoun-

Unemployment falls to 8-year-low of 5.9%

THE country's rate of unemploymeot fell in 1995 to an eight-year low of 5.9 percent, while its gross domestic product grew by 7%, as much as the economy's previous annual growth rate, the Central Bureeu of Stetistics seid

yesterday. However, the balance of paymeots' deficit, which measures the import-export gap between the combination of all goods and services, swelled to a record \$5.1

billion. This was due in part to the shutdown-ridden US administra-

tioo's failure to transfer to Jerusalem in time - that is by the end of 1995 - a previously scheduled \$1.2b. Prime Minister Shimon Peres's

economic adviser, Ilao Flatto, said the government is losing inJerusaiem Post Staff

terest as a result of the unexpected delay in the arrival of this portioo of the Americao aid package.

The trade deficit, which measures the difference between imported and exported goods, is expected to total for the elapsing year an unprecedented \$10.2b.

The natioo's external debt for the year totaled \$18.5b., while total investments in the economy reached \$26b., a growth of 5% in comparison with each of the two previous years.

The CBS's figures are at this stage prelimioary assessments based on statistics for the year's first 11 months, said Ezra Hadar, a member of the bureau's board of directors.

In all, the ecooomy's workforce grew during the year by 5.4% from 1994, while more than 100.000 new jobs were added to the economy. The statistics' bureau soid

these figures are in line with the trend that has characterized the labor market since 1993, just after unemployment peaked at more than 11%.

Since then a total of 320,000 new jobs have been added to the economy.

Average income rose by 1.5% in real terms, mostly due to the sharp raises, averaging more than 6%, which the government lavisbed oo the public sector.

In the private sector, at the same time, salaries decliced, though only by a slight fraction of e percent.

BUSINESS BRIEFS

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Elron has increased its holdings in subsidiary Elbit to 40 percent from 37%, the firm announced yesterday. Elron bought 60,580 Elbit shares in return for Elbit Series 2 convertible bonds. The private placement was made et e per share price of Rachel Neiman NIS 17,750, or NIS 10.75 million.

Bezeq, PWD sign agreement on roadwork: Bezeq and the Public Works Department vesterday signed a cooperation agreement to prevent damage to underground cahles during road construction work.

Bezeq director-general Yitzhak Kaul noted that the PWD has accelerated its operations in recent years. This makes the need even more urgent for early joint planning by the two organizations to improve development and maintenance of both telecommunications infrastructure and of roads. Judy Siegel

Teuza - a Fairchild Technology Venture has increased its investment in Rotlex by \$150,000, bringing its holdings to 49 perceot. Rotlex specializes in lens inspectioo systems for the Rachel Neiman spectacle and contact lens industry.

Orgenics has signed a strategic partnership with Selfcare of Boston, which develops medical test kits for the home and clinical market. Selfcare and venture capital fund Medica will invest \$1 million in Orgenics. In mid-December, diagnostic company Healthcare Technologies and Orgenics terminated Rachel Neiman merger orgotiations.

BVR has won a \$5.5 million contract to demonstrate its flight training systems to a Western European client. The Ehud system uses global positioning satellites to follow and analyze flight exercises. The system will be loaned to the clicot for six months, after which it may be bought for a \$2m, more. BVR will supply the systems by the end of 1996. Rachel Neiman

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Currency basket	3.5470	3.6043	_		3.5781
U.S. dollar	3,1074	3.1576	3.05	3.21	3.1350
German mark	2,1703	2.2054	2.13	2.24	2,1883
Pound sterling	4.8087	4.8363	4.72	4,96	4.8530
French franc	0,6350	0.6453	0.62	0.66	0.6406
Japarese yen (100)	3.0178	3.0665	2.96	3.11	3.0452
Dutch florin	1_9391	1.9704	1,90		1.9533
Swiss franc	2,7033	2,7470	2.65	2,79	2,7261
	0.4671	0.4747	0.45		0,4706
Norweglan krone	0.4920	0.5000	0.48	0.51	0.4960
Danish krone	0.5604	0.5695	0.55	0.58	0.5651
Previsit mark	0.7136	0.7252	0.70	0.74	0.7207
Canadian dollar	22177	2.3145	2.23	2.35	2.2991
Australian dollar	2.3130	2.3504	227	2.39	2.3357
S. Atrican Land	0.8519	0.8657	0.77	0.87	0.8596
Belgian franc (10)	1.0566	1.0737	1.03	1.09	1.0652
Austrian schilling (10)	3.0868	3.1366	3.03	3.19	3,1095
Italian lina (1000)	1.9632	1,9949	1.92	2.03	1,9795

Istec shareholder, suspected of manipulation, under house arrest

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tant firm - Gai, Yahav, Odem, Ginsburg and Partners - withdrew its services from the company.

The accouotaocy firm explained their actions in a letter to the TASE, stating that Horowitz withdrew company funds and did oot report his actions.

It is suspected that a NIS 1.6m. loan granted to businessman Baruch Yadid ooe year ago by Istec was returned in part to Horowitz's account

. Istec Capital Markets is a subsidiary of Istec Technologies and Koppel Reot-a-Car.

Horowitz is board chairman of of Istee Technologies and a sharebolder in both subsidiaries Istee has not yet filed its third

quarter report. Horowitz will take a leave of absence from his post until the cooclusioo of the investigatioo. Board member Rafi Betzer will replace Horowitz uotil further notice.

Accouotaots Yair Rabioowitz and Dan Cohen have been appointed by the board to present a review of the company's activities until the end of the week.

Horowitz was previously coovicted of stock frand while at Coheo-Plosotzky in 1994, at which time he was giveo a three month's

suspended sentence. Horowitz's attorney Ayal Rozofsky yesterday described the previous conviction as "a technicality."

Ha-Aretz NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC IN REGARD TO PUBLICATION OF A PROSPECTUS OF MORIAH P.K.N. - MUTUAL FUND FOR FOREIGN RESIDENTS tec group. Istec Capital Markets are trad-Notice is hereby given in accordance with Section 31 of the Joint Investments Trust Law 5754-1994, of the publication of a Prospectus in regard to an ed ooce a week oo the TASE. offer to the public of an untimited number of units of US \$1 (hereinafter: dollar) par value per unit, but not less than 100 units In e single purchase, or more, at fluctuating purchase prices per unit, as described in Chapter 2 of the Prospectus. Commencing January 1, 1996 at 8:30 a.m. and until December 31, 1996 at 2:00 a.m., each of the units is offered against payment of the "unit price," to be fixed, plus a supplemental rate of 1%. The unit and redemption prices of the Fund's units will be denominated in U.S. dollars. The Fund is an open fund, as defined by law. Units in the European active of anty to "foreign residenting who hold a non-resident deposit (not including examplier holders who are investigated and an estimation of the second providents), as these tarms are defined in the Cameroy Control Law 5756-1978 bagement with the requisitions thereis and the permits thougander, as service are in transfrom time to time (hereinafter: the Control Law) (see Paragraph 1.1 of the Prospectus). The present investment policy of the bank is flexible. The Fund Manager will invest some of the assets of the Fund in foreign securities, in percentages, according to its discretion, and in various types, and not more than 75% of the net value of the assets of the Fund In foreign securities, provided that the total investments abroad and in foreign currency shall not be less than 50% of the assets of the Fund'. The Fund will invest in Israeli securities traded on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the holding of such assets in percentages which differ from those mentioned above, for e period which does not exceed two consecutive trading days on each occasion, will not constitute e deviation from the percentage specified above. The Fund Manager may buy, sell and create options, subject to the law, for and on behalf of the Fund and may hold the same in the Fund. The value of options held in the Fund, apart from options on the Maof Index, shall not exceed 10% of the net value of the Fund's assets, and the value thereof, together with the value of warrants held in the Fund, shall not exceed 20% of the net value of the assets of the Fund. Details in regard to the provisions of the law, the nature and essence of the options and the risks attendant thereon, are presented in Paragraphs 5.4 and 5.5 of the Prospectus. With regard to any change in the investment policy, the Fund Manager will file an immediate report and give notice to that effect by publication in at least two daily, widely circulated newspapers which are published in Israel, at least one of which shall be in Hebrew and one in English (hereinafter: publication in e newspaper). The Fund is an unrestricted fund for tax purposes (see Paragraph 7 of the Prospectus). The average composition of the investments of the Fund in the year ending September 30, 1995 (according to holdings at the and of each month) was as follows: In shares traded abroad - approximately 50% In shares traded in Israel - approximately 39% In bonds traded abroad - approximately 6% In cash (mostly foreign currency) - approximately 5% The Fund Manager does not undertake that these investment percentages will be maintained in the future. The Fund Manager has an arrangement with Merrill Lynch Asset Management (hereinafter. "M.L.A.M."), for purposes of obtaining information, advice and execution of trade in securities abroad. The Fund Manager will be entitled, in its discretion, to contract with e different body for the aforesaid purpose. VALIDITY OF PERMIT FROM CONTROLLER OF FOREIGN CURRENCY The establishment of the Fund and the offer to foreign residents are in accordance with e special permit from the Controller of Foreign Currency, which is valid until December 31, 1996 (see Appendix A to the Prospectus). The Fund Manager will take steps to extend the validity of the special permit. REMUNERATION OF THE FUND MANAGER AND THE TRUSTEE According to the Fund Agreement, the Fund Manager is entitled to receive an annual payment equivalent to 4% of the average annual value of the total assets of the Fund, and the Trustee is entitled to receive an annual payment equivalent to 0.5% of the average annual value of the total assets of the Fund. Until otherwise decided, the remuneration of the Fund Manager will be at e rate of 1.5%, and the remuneration of the Trustee will be at e rate of 0.2%. The remuneration of the M.L.A.M. will be paid out of the Fund Manager's remuneration (see Paragraph 6 to the Prospectus). LETAILS IN REGARD TO CHANGES IN REDEM PRICES AS COMPARED WITH OTHER INDICES. % change in the year ended September 30 1995 1994 Redemption price (In dollar terms) 13.5 -9.2 Redemption price (in Israeli currency) 12.7 -4.6 -23.3 Share index 1.5 **Consumer Price Index** 8.7 13.8 Representative rate of dollar 0.6 5.1 The Holdson version of the Prospectre is the binding one. A translation of the Prospectra into Endish oppears on the reverse late of this Prospector. The hands hard bloc Proceeded has confirmed that the hard station therapid into For dath for help in facts the Halmen version. Photoentering protects the attached at the front of the English translation). Copies of the Prospectus, and of the permit from the Securities Authority for the publication thereof, have been lodged with the Registrar of Companies. Copies of the Prospectus can be obtained at all branches of Bank Hapoalim B.M., as well as from members of the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange. Applications for the purchase of units can be lodged at the aforesaid places. This notice does not constitute an offer to purchase units in the Fund. Israel Discount Bank Trust Company Ltd. Trustee: Poalim - Mutual Funds Ltd. Fund Manager: **January 1, 1996 Poalim - Mutual Funds Ltd. P.K.N**.

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"ILANOT ILAN" MUTUAL FUND FOR FOREIGN RESIDENTS - NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF THE PROSPECTUS Notification is bereby given in accordance with Section 31.b.2 of the Joint Investments Trust Law-1994 in the matter of publication of the prospectus as foll

AN OFFERING TO THE PUBLIC OF

AN OFFERING TO THE PUBLIC OF an unlimited number of Units of 100 US Dollars par value each, are being offered at varying Unit Prices determined by the Fund Manager pursuant to the provisions of Section 4 and 5 of the Prospectus, which will include a pointium not exceeding 1.5% on any day which is a business day for the purpose of transactions in foreign currency and securities in Ismel. London and New York (usually Mondays to Thursdays), commending from 8.30 A.M. Israei time on January 1, 1996, until 2.00 P.M. Israei time on December 31, 1996. With regard to requests to purchase or redeem units after the stated hours, see Section 2.9.9 of the Prospectus. For restrictions on the offering of Units to specific foreign residents, see Section 2 of the Prospectus. For restrictions on the transfer of Units in the Fund see Section 24 of the Prospectus.

An Open Mutual Fund. The Fund's Investment Policy. The Fund is authorized by the authorities as a fund for holders of foreign currency accounts in which the value of foreign securities may not exceed 75% of the net asset value. The Fund can invest up m 75% of its net asset value. The Fund can invest up m 75% of its net asset value in foreign securities (including options traded outside of israel). The balance of the Funds assets may be invested in securities trading on exchanges in which the Fund is authorized to invest in accordance with the Euchange Control Law-1978 and/or in bank deposits in israeli currency of foreign currency, which may or may not pay interest and all within the guidelines prescribed by the law. Maintenance of asset levels in excess of those described above for a period of no more than two trading days on the exchange in israel shall not be considered a deviation from those aforementioned guidelines. The Fund Manager is authorized to change, in whole or in part from time to time, the investment policy without the authorization of a meeting of the Fund's unit holders.

of a meeting of the Fund's unit holders. The Fund Manager will likely trade in options for the Fund including options trading outside of israel, within the framework of guidelines prescribed by the law. The value of options excluding the Maof Index Option (Scrice 1 Calls) as of the date of this Prospectus is limited so that said investments will not exceed 10% of the Fund's net asset value (see Section 10.1 of the Prospectus. In the matter of the investment in options, see Section 10.1 of the Prospectus. The Fund Manager will likely execute on behalf of the Fund, subject to provisions of the law. the following: a. buy and sell futures contracts. c. enter into short sale transactions. d. lend accurations held by the found or size hormwing accurate for the number of char.

d. lend securities held by the Fund, or sign borrowing agreements for the purposes of short sale

The Fund Manager will likely hold cash for any period he deems to be beneficial to the unit holders.

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Details of changes in the redemption price of the Fund's Units in comparison to other indice

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Redemption Price of the Fund's Units (in dollar terms)	12.33	-7.77	
Redesuption Price of the Fund's Units (in Israeli currency terms)	11.66	-3.10	
General Stock Index	2.37	-23.32	
"Mishtanin" Stock Index	0.76	-18.34	
Consumer Price Index	đ.74	13.81	
Representative rate of exchange of U.S. Dollar	-0.60	5.20	

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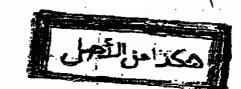
Annual semination of Luter Manager and Trisice The Fund Manager shall receive annual remuneration equivalent to 2.0% and the Trustee shall receive annual remuneration equivalent to 0.2%, both on the basis of the Fund's assets as calculated for the purpose of determining the basic price. Under the terms of the Trust Agreement, the remuneration of the Fund Manager may be increased in a maximum of 5.0% end the annual remuneration of the Truste may be increased to a maximum of 0.5%, both on the basis as calculated above. The Fund Manager will report immediately in newspaper notices any changes in the rate of remuneration of the Trustee or in the rate of remuneration of the Fund Manager within the guidelines as statist above. For further details refer to section 10 of the Prospectus, the Hebrew published text of this prospectus shall be the sole binding version. The English translation of the prospectus is an exact translation of the Hebrew.

For the Year Ending

The prospectus is dated January 1, 1096.

Request to purchase Fund Units may be submitted to any branch of the Fund's Banker - Israel Discount Bank Ltd. as well as to other Banks and Securities Brokers who are elembers of the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange Ltd. Copies of the Prospectus are available from branches of all banks and Securities Brokers who are members of the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange.

A copy of the prospectus has been supplied to the Company Registrar and the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange Ltd. The Trustee: Bank Hapoalim Trust Company Ltd. The Fund Manager: Ilanot Discount's Mutual Funds Management Company Ltd.



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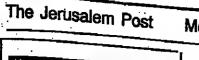
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Monday, January 1, 1996 **BUSINESS & FINANCE**

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Survey: Bank deals lead merger activity in 1995

Precious metals down in lifeless session

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COMMODITIES ROUNDUP

PRECIOUS metals ended a virmaily lifeless session of pre-holiday trading on Friday with platinom futures showing the only measorable movement, coding \$2.20 lower at \$397.50 on the Jan-USEV CONTRACT

Comex gold coded slightly, firmer, with the February contract np \$0.30 ao ounce at \$388.10, mainly due to short coverings.

March silver also ended up, gaining 3.5 cents to cloae at \$5.207 an oance.

Au increase in London Metal Exchange (LME) stocks and an easing of nearby prices caused Comex March copper prices to close 120 points lower at \$1.2055 per pound on Friday.

Cbot corn futures hit new 12year highs oo Friday, closing firmer in heavy nervons trading following the release of largerthan-expected USDA quarterly hog and pig inventory data, traders said.

Export commitments were also up, which helped push the March contract to close 51/2 cents per bushel higher at \$3.69%.

Cbot wheat ended finner, but below Friday's highs due to forecasts of precipitation over the weekend in the US plains.

March wheat closed 2¼ cents firmer at \$5.12¼ per bushel. The USDA's larger-than-expected hog herd report pushed soybeans to close higher on Friday, with the January contract closing 111/4 cents higher at \$7.3514 per bushel and March up 101/2 at \$7.441/2 perbushel.

Nyce cotton futures settled mixed in pre-holiday trade, with the March contract down 0.40 cents at 81.05 cents per pound on

NEW YORK (Reoter) - US banks topped the list in a record year_for mergers and acqoisitions, accounting for five of the 15 largest deals announced in 1995, according to data released over the weekend by Los Angeles investment bank Houlihan Lokey Howard & Zukin.

The year's 330 banking and finance deals accounted for \$73.4 billion and represented 20.6 perceot of the overall transaction value for 1995, according to the data from the investment bank's ... The number of mega-deals in-Mergerstat' Review.

As expected, 1995 was a record year for merger activity, with \$355.7b. in total transactions involving US companies. The previons record was \$246.9b. in 1988.

against inflation was only half-

won and gains had been achieved

Several records were set in

1995, as grain output hit 466.4

million tonnes, foreign exchange

reserves topped \$71 billion and

direct foreign investment reached

\$37b., second in the world to the

Steel output in 1995 reached 93

said on its front page, the latest in

More importantly, annual re-

In 1996, inflation woold be

12% and growth in gross domes-

tail price inflation was 14.8 per-

a stream of positive statistics.

cent, within the target of 15%.

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debt.

Mergerstat Review also said US companies announced 3,521 mergers and acquisitions in 1995, up from 2,958 in 1994. The average size of all transactions increased to \$208.4 million, compared to \$161.8m. in 1994. It was a big year for big deals.

Mergerstat Review said 75 transactions were valued at \$1b. or more, accounting for a total of \$214.7b. and representing 60.4% of the overall merger and acquisition market for the year.

creased 59.6% from 1994 and the average size of the big deals rose to \$2.9b. from \$2.2b. in 1994. The largest deal announced in

1995 Walt Disney Co.'s \$19b. hid for Capital Cities/ABC Inc. Shareholders of both boards are expected to vote next week. If approved, it would be the secood-largest transaction in Mergerstat Review's 30 years of tracking merger transactions, second only to the \$24.6b, RJR Nabisco acquisition in 1988.

Mergerstet Review said the second largest announced transaction of the year was First Bank System Inc.'s \$10.3b. counteroffer to Wells Fargo and Co.'s hostile hid for First Interatste Bancoro.

Chemical Bank's \$10b. acquisition of Chase Manhattan Corp. ranked as the third-largest deal of 1995.

After banking and finance, the broadcast industry was the second most active in 1995, with \$47.7b. in proposed transactions

compared with \$15.2b. in 1994. The other most active industries were computer software, supplies and service; drugs, medical supplies and equipment; and milities

Mergerstat Review said the average premium over market price five days prior to the transaction annooocement rose to 45.4% from 41.9% in 1994.

The number of smaller deals, identified as \$50m. and under, rose 30.3% to 1,037 in 1995.

Mergerstat Review tracks publicly amounced mergers and acquisitions involving US

Its data does not include the exchange of business assets, privete placements, spin-offs and open-market transactions.

FELICE MARANZ 208.60 215.84 +0.18% +0.27% **Two-Sided** index Maof index STOCKS rose yesterday, led by gains io the IDB investment

group and Elbit Ltd.

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The Maof Index increased 0.27

The Maof Index rose 23% in

1995, and the Two-Sided Index

increased 20.2%, led by gains in

Teva, Bezeq, and Koor Indus-tries - all of which rose as foreign

Of 1,015 issues trading across

the exchange, an equal number

of shares rose and fell. Almost

NIS 100 million worth of shares

trsded, NIS 8.2m. helow last

Sunday's level and NIS 1.7m, be-

"Heavy stocks pulled up the

Zvi Stepak, managing director of

Tel Aviv investment firm Meitav

Ltd. "If you look at the market as

a whole, without weighing ac-

cording to capitalization, shares

as a whole changed about zero

were buoyed by "foreigners buy-ing top issues," said Stepak, who

sees shares in smaller companies

Shares prices across the board

investors bought stakes.

percent to 215.84, and the Two-

Sided Index edged upward 0.18%

Two-Sided

rises; jumps

20% for '95

TEL AVIV STOCK MARKET

"The public was hardly in the market," said Hannah Pri-Zan,, senior vice president and manager of securilies at Bank, Happalim

Leading the Maof Index, Teva rose 98.1% during the year through Thursday.

Teva gained 0.25% yesterday. as the stock exchange's most ac-, tive issue with NIS 5.7m. worth of shares changing hands.

The increase followed gains in Teva's American Depositary Receipts traded in New York, which rose 1/8 to 46 3/8 on Friday from Wednesday, the last day of trading to influence Tel Aviv.

Teva rose during the year as investors het its first original drug, multiple sclerosis treatment Copaxooe, woold receive US Food and Drug Administration approval,

The US market for ao MS treatment has been estimated at between \$1 billion and \$2b.

Bezeq rose 79.1% through .December 28, as Cable & Wireless purchased a 10.02% stake in the company.

In late Octoher, the British telecommunications 'concern said it was interested in increasing its stake in Bezeg, which fell 0.25% vesterday. (Bloomberg)

Economists: China's economic gains came at expense of mountain of debt

BEIJING (Reuter) - As China's chief economist of the State Staofficial press trumpeted 1995 ecotistical Bureau, told the China nomic achievements yesterday, Daily. economists warned that the battle

Qin said the government faced a challenging task in 1996 to balance growth, more jobs and highonly at the cost of a mountain of er farm output with a need for tight credit policy to keep down inflation.

Qiu noted two results of the tight money policy -- debts of China's industrial firms had mached nearly 800 billion yuan (\$96b.), a rise of 150 hillion (\$18b.) over 1994, and more than seven million workers had been sent home million tonnes, up from 91.5 mil-lion in 1994, the People's Daily hy factories that had stopped production.

Another major reason for the fall in inflation was the high interest rates on individual bank deposits of three years or above, which helped to push such deposits to a record level of about three trillion yuan (\$361b.).

But these interest rates, which tic product 9%-10%, against 10.2% in 1995, Qio Xiaohna, are adjusted for inflation, are at for the second of the second

Multi-sided trading

least ten percentage points higher than what banks charge on loans. So they end up losing money on these deposits.

Au estimate in the China Prosecutor Daily said that about half of the deposits in the banks were for three years or above, resulting in an additional 12.064 billion

Originally, the Finance Ministry agreed to pay this extra interest but, as from 1995, it has shifted some of the cost on to banks. which are angry at having to pay a subsidy when they are supposed

But a survey of 20,000 depositors in 28 major cities found that, if the anti-inflation rate were not paid, people would neither pat money in banks nor buy risky securities.

spending spree that would drive up prices and snuff out all the a person a faire

low last week's average trading hard-earned gains in the war against inflation, the oewspaper level. said rest of the market this year," said

A Japanese economist said the inflation fall was due in part to price subsidies paid by the central and local governments, and these subsidies would not be sustainable over the long term.

"Agriculture remains a weak link," he said. "China will have to raise the state purchasiog prices of grains and other major crops in 1996, which will push up a wide range of prices."

He also noted the high level of rising in the coming year, "if the government debt, with the issue market is positive in general." of state treasury bonds in 1996 to exceed the record level of 153 billion yuan (\$18.4b.) in 1995. Official figures released on Friday showed China had floated 470 billion yuan (\$56.6b.) worth of treasury bonds since 1991, of which bonds outstanding in September were 330 billion (\$39.8b.).

Iraq signs deal with Jordan to supply oil

BAGHDAD (Renter) - Iraq agreed over the weekend to supply 4.4 million tonnes of oil to Jordan in 1996 and said the signing of the deal had not been affected by Amman giving refuge earlier this year to

mately 1.2 million tonnes," he said.

The agreement represents the annual renewal of a deal first struck during the 1990-91 Gulf crisis, when Saudi Arabia stopped supplying Jordan with

yuan (\$1.45b) in interest payments this year.

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Instead, they would go on a

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date." "We are by far the single largest party in the country," Zvilli said. "No one even comes close. This is a sure recipe for electoral victory. Obviously we have not ended our electoral campaign, and this is not the only component of our strategy, but this is certainly an indication of where things are going." He added that the membership drive received "particular impetus after the Rabin assassination. If before that, the right had a slight edge among the younger voters, now the left and the quest for

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charges. Similar charges were rife during this year's memhership drive. Complaints came especially from the Israel Electric Corporation and the Egged bus cooperative.

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SPORTS

Green Bay slams door on Atlanta Detroit's fairy-tale season comes to abrupt end

GREEN BAY. Wis. (AP) -Breit Favre showed the Atlanta Falcons why he's a perfect fit for the Green Bay Packers.

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Favre, who spent his hell-raising rookie season in Allanta before being traded to Greeo Bay in 1992, contioued his fabulous season with three touchdowns Sunday as the Packers knocked the Falcons from the playoffs 37-20.

Favre's piopoint passiog against the NFL's all-time worst pass defense helped the Packers huild a 27-10 halftime lead after Jeff George shocked Greeo Bay with a 65-yard touchdown to Eric Metcelf three mioules into the .game.

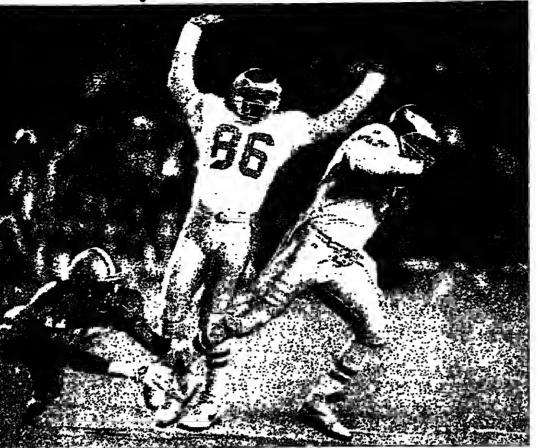
Favre, who threw an NFC-best 38 touchdowns this year and was named the NFL Offensive Player of the Yeat, picked apart Atlanta's defense, which vielded ao NFL-record 4.751 passing yards.

But Favre, who will lead the Packers (12-5) to San Francisco for a divisional playoff Saturday, had plenty of help.

Edgar Bennett, the first 1,000yard rusher in Green Bay since 1978, rushed 24 times for a team playoff record 108 yards, and tookie Antonio Freeman returned a punt 76 yards for a touchdown as the Packers im--proved to 9-0 in playoff games at storied Lambeau Field.

Amidst fog and flurries in the first half. Favre, found nine different receivers in completing 16 of 22 passes for 115 of his 199 yards. Two of the incompletions were drops. He finished 24-for-35 with no interceptions.

After the Falcons, who



LEAPIN' LIONS – Philadelphia's QB Rodney Pete (r) scrambles away from a pouncing Ryan McNeil of Detroit during Saturday night's game. Philly's Fred Barnett (c) looks on. (Reuter)

reached the playoffs with a 28-27 victory over the 49ers last week, cut the lead to 27-17, Favre tossed an 18-yard TD to Dorsey Levens with 7:45 left before the teams exchanged field goals.

George finished 30 of 54 for 366 yards with two touchdowns and two interceptions. All of Atlanta's last 29 plays were passes.

The Falcons, the only team ever to have four 1,000-yard play-

ers, finished 9-8. After a scoreless third period, J.J. Birden broke away from struggliog cornerback Lenoy

McGill for a 27-yard toucbdown that trimmed Green Bay's lead to 27-17 with 14:07 remaining. George was 9 of 11 on the 80-yard drive.

Favre responded by driving his team 70 yards, hining Levens with the 18-yard score.

Eagles 58, Lions 37 Host Philadelphia intercepted six passes and scored 31 unanswered points in the second quarter.

Rodney Pecte, who was rejected by Detroit for Scott Mitchell, completed 17 of 25 passes for 270 vards as the Eagles halled the Lions' seven-game game in NFL playoff history. Mitchell threw four of the intercep-

tions as the Eagles forced seven turnovers. Two interceptions were re-turned for touchdowns, one by Barry Withurn off Mitchell, the other by William Thomas off Dan Majkowski. Peele was replaced early io the fourth quarter by Randall Cunning-

bam, who suggested be might oot show up because he wanted to be with his wife if she gave birth.

The Lions expected to fare much hetter after winning seven straight following a 3-6 start and an ultimatum from owner William Clay Ford to coach Warne Footes to make the playoffs or be sacked.

playoffs or be sacked. Peete, who had struggled through the final quarter of the season, threw three touchdown passes, a 22-yarder to Fred Barnett, a 45-yarder to Ricky Waners and a 43-yard "Hail Mary" bomh to Rob Carpenter on the final play of the first hail.

The Eagles defense also generated 21 points in a first half that ended with Philadelphia ahead 38-7. It included 24-yard return for a touchdown by Wilburn that was part of a second-quarter burst of 24 points in 7 minutes and 57 seconds.

In all, this was as complete a rout as In all, this was as complete a rolf as there could be by a team that was totally outplayed a week ago, losing 20-14 in Chicago. Philadelphia's 58 points was the third highest in playoff history to 59 by the Lions against Cleveland in 1973 and 73 by Chicago against Washington in 1940.

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sage to the rest of the National

Basketball League last night that

rumors of their demise were

greatly exaggerated. thrashing

The victory propelled Maccabi (8-1) into a virtual tie for first

place in the league standings with

Hapoel Jerusalem, while Herz-

liva fell to 6-3 and a three-way tie

The make-up game postponed

from earlier in the year featured

the two remaining Israeli repre-

sentatives in European competi-

tion. However, it was soon ap-

parent why Maccabi is still in the

thick of it, while Herzliya is about

to drop out of European play. It

was Herzliya coach Muli Katzur-in's first visit to Yad Eliyahu since

leaving the Maccabi helm, and he

saw a sharp, efficient Maccabi

team display the most confidence

Maccabi's domination started

on defeose, where they beld

Herzliya to 32 points below their

offensive average this season, in-

cluding a mere 19 second-balf

points. Nadav Henefeld, who was

his usual ubiquitous self, forced

several turnovers and chipped in

10 points oo offense and 13

rebounds.

they've shown all season.

Bnei Herzliva 81-57.

for third place.

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and drawing two fouls in the orocess as Maccabi jumped out to a 15-9 lead.

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lt just wasn't Herzliva's nicht. as even Amir Karz, the league's best free throw marksman. missed his first shot from the charity stripe in 90 anempts, dating back 10 last season. A threepoint play by Tom Chambers and three-point baskets by Brad Leaf and Jamchee gave Maccabi a 46-38 halftime lead.

Chambers converted two consecutive Koren Amisha misses into haskets early in the second half to ignite a 16-0 run capped by a Henefeld put-back and Herzliva suddenly found themselves down 64-44.

The final score was a fair indication of Maccabi's domination as they sent a message to Hapoel Jerusalem that this was not the same team that got blown out in Jerusalem earlier this season.

For Maccabi, Chambers had 23 points, four rebounds and four assists. Curcic poured in 16 and Jamchee contribuled 13. Fleischer, Hudson and Thirdkill had 15, 14 and 13, respectively, for Herzliva.

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Last-minute TD seals Peach Bowl win for Virginia

North Carolina upsets Arkansas in Carquest Bowl

seasoo finale against Georgia Tech, but was

allowed to finish the season. The Bulldogs

defeated Georgia Tech and were giveo the

Peach Bowl ood when the bowl ban on Ala-

Jim Donnan, formetly of Marshall, will be

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N. Carolina 20, Arkansas 10

Leon Johnson rushed for a career-high 195 yards and a touchdown and Mike Thomas passed for a pair of scores as North Carolina upset Arkansas in

Johnson carried 29 times in eclipsing the previous Carquest record set by Siran Stacy of Alahama. Johnson's touchdown sparked a third-period come-

earlier in the game for Virginia (9-4).

bama was upheld by the NCAA.

Georgia's coach next seasoo.

ATLANTA (Reuter) - Demetrius Allen returned a kickoff 83 yards for a touchdown with 57 secoods left as Virginia avoided an embarcassment and defeated Georgia 34-27 in the Peach Bowl on Saturday.

Leading 27-20 with 75 seconds to play, Virginia quarterback Mike Groh completed a pass but tight end Walt Derev fumbled at the Cavaliers' 10-yard line. Georgia defensive lineman Jasoo Fergusoo scooped up the loose ball and scored, tying the game.

· Oo the touchdown, Georgia was called for unsportsmanlike conduct and was forced to kick off from the 20. Alleo fielded the ball at the 17 and broke up the middle and into the clear up the left sidelice, barely staying inbounds.

Allen caught an 83-yard touchdown pass

back for North Carolina (7-5), which completed its sixth straight winning season. Arkansas (8-5), which closed its season with three Georgia fell 10 ö-ö in coach Ray Goff's final game. Goff was fired prior to the regular-

Arkansas (8-5), which closed its season with three losses, was making its first post-season appearance since the 1991 Independence Bowl. Liberty Bowl E. Carolina 19, Stanford 13 Chad Holcomh kicked a Liberty Bowl-record four field goals, including a career-long 46-yarder in the second quarter, and the East Carolina defense held off a drive by Stanford in the final minute to defeat the Cartinal in Memohis. defeat the Cardinal in Memphis.

Holcomh connected on field goals of 26, 41 and 34 yards in addition to his career best. After Holcomh's fourth field goal-gave East-Car-olina a 19-13 lead with 1:15 left, Stanford's Damon Dunn returned the kickoff 40 yards to the Cardinal 48. Quarterback Mark Butterfield drove the Cardi-nal to the East Carolina 21, but Stanford's rally ended there when Butterfield's fourth-down pass fell incomplete.

CLEVELAND (AP) - Bobby Phills scored a career-high 43 points, and Danny Ferry hit critical 3-pointers in each of two overtimes Saturday night as the

Cleveland Cavaliers beat the Portland Trail Blazers 124-121. Ferry sank a 3-pointer at the buzzer ending the first overtime, tying it 114-114 and forcing the

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ing minutes, scoring six points **Cavaliers top Trail Blaze**

Lemieux scores hat-trick

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PITTSBURGH (AP) - Mario Lemicux scored the first of bis three goals 36 seconds into the game and Pittsburgh scored four times in the first 7:04 on the way to defeating the Florida Panthers 6-5 on Saturday night.

· Lemieux had his 35th career hat trick and fourth this seasoo as be raised his NHL-leading goal total to 34.

Panthers goalie John Vanbiesbrouck left the game after Lemieux's third goal. He allowed four goals on 16 shots and was replaced by Mark Fitzpatrick.

Rangers 8, Oilers 3 The New York Rangers' December express rolled through Edmontoo, flattening the Oilers for their 11th win of the month.

The Rangers ran roughshod over Edmooton, running up a 5-1 lead in the opening period to cruise to the win and into sole possession of first place in the NHL with 56 points.

New York, which has now won three in a row, including its last two oo the road, scored just 1:31 into the game to open the floodgates. Over the month of December, the Rangers have amassed a record of 11-2-3 Defenseman Alexander Karpovt-

sev, who badn't scored since last April, slapped a rebound under the outstretebed glove of Edmoston goallender Bill Ranford to ignite the Rangers' supercharged affense. The goals theo came in bunches for

the Rangers, who appear to have re-gained the form that propelled the learn to a Stapley Cup in 1993-94 as Rangers captain Mark Messier had three assists.

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GUESS WHO?

The Quebec Nordiques packed their bags at the end of last season. Which team did they become?

San Jose Sharks Mighty Ducks of Anahcim Florida Panthers Colorado Avalanche

Answer tomorrow. Answer to Friday's 'Guess Which?': The New York Rangers suffered the greatest drop in winning percentage of any NHL team from the 1993-94 season to 1994-95.

'Boro manager Robson slapped with FA charge

LONDON (Reuter) - Middlesbrough manager Bryan Robsoo has been charged by the Football Association with bringing the game into disrepute.

The charge follows the former England captain's exchange with referee Paul Danson after his club's 1-0 Premier League defeat at Blackburn on December 17.

Middlesbrough captain Nigel Pearson and defender Neil Cox have also been hit with a disrepute charge.

Danson informed the F.A. that Robsoo and his two players confronted him outside the dressing tooms after the Ewood Park game, apparently furions at a number of decisions.

Robson could be suspeoded and banned from the touchline if found guilty, however, a fine and warning is a more likely punishment, most analysis agree.

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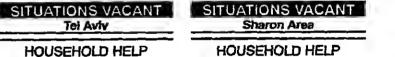
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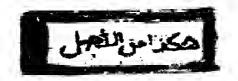
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E VOICE OF MUSIC

8:00 Morning Concert 8:05 Works by Bach: Anoso from Cantata no 156 arr for obce quarter; Suite no 2 in B minor for flute obce quartet; Suite no 2 in B minor for flute and orch (Galway/Zagreb Soloists); 3 Min-uets from Partita no 3 in E arr Alex Jacobo-vitz (Jacobovitz, xylophone); Gavotte; from Partita in E arr for 2 quartets (Turtle Island, Modern Mandolin). Works by Reza Vali; Folk songs, cycle no 11B for string quartet (Latinoamericano); Folk songs cycle no 9 for flute and celic; Yair Dalal; Taksim Lami for lute; Tzippi Heischer: Te Landscapes; Borochow/El Atrash; Tangler (East-West Ens); David Darling; from Dark Forest for celic; Tormasz Stanko; from Malta Joarna 12:00 Light Classical -- Humperdinck; sol; carpts from Hansel and Gretet 13:00 Placorpts from Hansel and Gretel 13:00 Pla-Carpies from ransel and canale 13:00 Pla-nist Vladimir Ashkenazy - Scriabin; Pro-metheus, the Poem of Fire (London PO/ Maazel); Chopin: Sonata no 3 in B minor for piano op 58; Liszt; Mephisto Waltz no 1 14:06 Encore 15:00 Cycle of Works -Beethoven's piano sonatas 16:00 Early, music 17:00 Enalita - five broadcast-fore blanet Conta Auditacher Jerusback from Henry Crown Auditorium, Jerusalem, Drona Block (recorder), Massuni FracCioki (baroque violin), Roberto Gini (viola da gamba), Isidoro Roiman (acchutevandiaroque guiter. Works by baroque compos-ers 19:00 Reinbow of Sounds 20:05-Liturgica '95 - live broadcast from Binel Ha'uma, Jerusa Symphony Orchestra-IBA with Jauna Mu-zika Chok, Vilnius, and St. Michael's Chok, Hamburg, cond. David Shallon. Ver-di: Requiam 23:00 Just Jazz

sympathetically on the prejudices that governed the actions of her class-bound characters. Whether or not the behavior they observe is identical (it's not), their satiric impulse - at once critical and affectionate - springs from a similar place. With the amazing Alicia Silverstone as Cher, lovable spoiled brat and latterday Emma Woodhouse. (English dialogue, Hebrew subtitles. Parental guidance suggested.)

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lifestyle in 'Chueless.'

**** THE USUAL SUSPECTS - Bryan Singer's fresh, present-tense approach to his old-time cops-and-robbers outline makes The Usual Suspects a smart, spooky movie, perhaps the smartest, spookiest crime movie of the year. Together with screenwriter Christopher McQuarrie, the director has dug up all the ordinary plot and character signposts (the usual suspicions, if you will), leaving the solution to creep up on us at the same slow pace with which it dawns on the investigators responsible for cracking the mysterious case. With Gabriel Byrne, Chazz Palminteri and a wild-eyed Stephen Baldwin. (English dialogue, Hebrew subtitles. Children under 17 not admitted without an

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Tale (1991) – Australian tearjerkar about a 78-year-old woman dying of cancer who decides to live her last days with dignity. Adress Sheila Florance who plays the woman was suffering from cancer during the filming. She died two days after she received the Australian Academy Award for her role. Directed by Paul Cox (92 mins) 00:10 The Good Father (1987) – XV drama about a mon who kees custorly TV drama about a man who loses custody

of his child but helps other fathers win (rpl) 1:40 Rita, Sue and Bob Too (1987) -

6:30 Cartoons 8:00 Suprise Garden ndy Ties

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British comedy (rpt)

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VERDI'S Requiem, one of the greatest choral music masterpieces of all time, reaches the Liturgica in Jerusalem Festival tonight courtesy of the Jerusalem Symphony Orchestra and music director David Shallon. It features an impressive roster of international soloists - soprano Andrea Gruber. mezzo-soprano Barbara Dever, tenor Raphael Rojas and bass Alexander Anisimov.

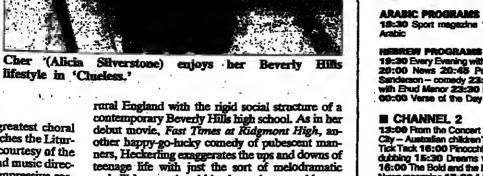
At the Jerusalem International Convention Center at 8:00. The Utah Chamber Artists Choir under Barlow Bradford is the guest of the Israel Chamber Orchestra this week. Tonight (8:30) at Beit Gabriel by the Kinneret and Friday (12:30) at the Tel Aviv Museum, the choir performs an acappella program featuring John Rutter's Gloria, works by Barber and Redford and some American folk songs. The Choir joins the ICO to perform Rutter's Requiem and Brahms's Sacred Song tonight at the Abba Khoushy Hall in Haifa, Wednesday and Thursday at the Noga Theater in Jaffa and uext Sunday at Karmiel. 8:30.

FILMS

ADINA HOFFMAN

**** CLUELESS - Amy Heckerling's delightfully free filmic adaptation of Jane Austen's Emma replaces the rigid social structure of 19th-century





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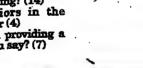
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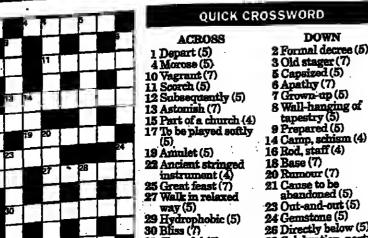
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- 6 Bantu warriors in the limpid interior (4)
- 7 A lady's-maid providing a large beer, you say? (7)





Yesterday's Quick Solution.



31 Cheerful (5) 32 English poet (5) (5)

8 Striking effect of putting chlorine in tea, possibly (5) 9 Robin's nest here? (8,6) 15 Jet from Spain off course? (5) 16 Clique in taxi take a left (5) 18 Robust type of law-breaker in the beginning (8) 20 Inceme fer England'e epeners appearing in theatrical show (7) 21 Pensioner's illegally-sold half of bitter? (7) 22 Merger of firms taking a drink (5)

25 Be concerned about road over North Dakota (4) 26 Expression for Hilary, say? (4)



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Nimrodi lawyers win postponement of plea to examine evidence

THE PLEA bearing of Ma'ariv owner and publisher Ofer Nimrodi and his security officer, David Roneo, was postponed for a month yesterday by Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court Judge George Kara, after defense lawyers accused the district attorney's office of withholding vital evidence.

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Nimrodi's lawyers Dan Avi-Yitzhak and Yebuda Weinstein said they received only about a quarter of the evidence against Nimrodi, although their client was indicted four-and-a-balf months ago. He is charged with 15 counts of commissioning wiretapping, mainly on senior Yediot Aharonot personnel, and transferring bush money to private investigators Rafi Friedan and Ya'acov Tsur, Tsur later turned state's witness.

Ronen, a former senior GSS officer, Ma'ariv's security officer and deputy director of Nimrodi's Hacbsharat Hayishuv compaoy, was indicted on the same counts RAINE MARCUS

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Avi-Yitzhak and Weinsteio brihing a Bezek technician. also complained that tapes found Avi-Yitzbak and Weinstein filed an official request last week at Katz's home allegedly impliwith the court's presideot, Judge cating their client have not beeo Dan Arbel asking for all evihanded over to them by the prosecutioo. Some evidence, said dence, or alternatively a signed authorization on classified eviprosecutor Rafi Levy, is being dence. This petition will be beard withheld from the defense by Internal Security Minister Mosbe They accused the district attor-Sbahal, altbough he admitted ney of hurrying to indict Nimrodi Shabal bas not yet officially

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He mainly agreed with prosecution claims that most relevant oot been transferred, said the and permitted evideoce had been traosferred to the defense, but Friedan and Tsur's former lawsince Ronen's lawyer took on the yer Motti Katz was also arrested in April on suspicion of transfercase only two weeks ago, Kara ring large sums of hush money agreed to a delay.



'Ma'ariv' owner and publisher Ofer Nimrodi (right) and his security officer, David Ronen, appear (Alon Ron/Israel Sun) in Tel Aviv Magistrate's Court yesterday.

Education and defense budgets almost the same, Peres says

BATSHEVA TSUR

FOR the first time in the country's history, the education hudget is almost equivalent to the defense budget, Prime Minister Shimon Peres said yesterday.

"Under the government of Yitzhak Rabin, the education budget was almost doubled. The peace process with our neighbors has made this possible," Peres said.

He was speaking at the opening of an NIS9 million exhibition devoted to the educational system at the Jerusalem International Convention Ceoter. Some 300 exhibitors are participating in the exhibition, dedicated to the memory of Rabin, who had planned to lend it his patronage.

Israel is part of the avant-garde of education today, Education Minister Amnoo Rubinstein said, ooting that some 25 ministers from abroad were coming to attend a conference at the exhibi-

THE transfer of responsibility for

psychiatric care from the Health

Ministry to the health funds will

be postponed three months to

April 1, Health Minister Enhraim

Sneb aod director-general Dr.

Meir Oren have decided.

Transfer of psychiatric care postponed three months

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The two reached the concinsion that the insurers were not ready to take over the burden today, the first anniversary of the national health insurance system.

week, he said. Among the education system's achievements, Rubinstein cited the addition of 300,000 weekly teaching hours; a 40 percent decrease in dropouts; the addition of 40,000 computers for various purposes; and the absorption of 100,000 immigrant children and more than 2,000 immigrant

technological and cultural conference at the exhi-

bition under the auspices of UNESCO next

teachers. Meanwhile, 74 MKs from across the political spectrum have signed a petition calling on the government to fully implement the recommendations of an Education Ministry steering committee on Ethiopian immigrant children.

The committee recommended that NIS 50m. be earmarked for helping their integration, while the ministry approved only NIS 15m, according to Micha Odenheimer, head of the Israel Associ-

> Among the topics which still need to be resolved are the pricing and allocations for psychiatric services and solting the per capita payment system to the incidence ły cards were the nine of spades, of psychiatric disease in each nine of hearts, eight of diamonds, health fund.

Finance Committee approves NIS2.7 billion more for Clalit

THE Knesset Finance Committee yesterday permitted the government to commit to an additional N1\$ 2.7 billion, if necessary, as part of a creditors' arrangement for the ailing Kupat Holim Clalit.

The committee also approved a new agreement on the repayment of the Histadrut's debts to its former health fund and extended a government-guaranteed loao to the health fund for another three vears.

The measures were approved by a vote of 2-1, with committee -chairman Gedalya Gal (Labor) and Benny Temkin (Meretz) in favor, and Dan Tichon (Likud) opposed. Temkin is not actually a member of the committee, but was brought in to vote in place of try to sell them for cash.

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Haim Oroo (Meretz), who, though present, could not vote because he is also Histadrut The Clalit creditors' arrange-

ment has not been finalized, so it is not clear what the governmeot's share will actually be. However, the committee au-

thorized the government to commit to up to NIS 2.7 billioo as

part of such an arrangement. Meanwhile, since the Histadrut has proved unable to sell its assets and pay its debts to Clalit in cash. the new arrangement approved by the committee yesterday lets it give the bealth fund its assets instead. The fund will theo have to

The Histadrut's deht to the health fuod is approximately NIS 400 million. The exact sum is not known,

however, since the Histadrut and Clalit disagree over the interpretation of one particular elause in the health fund's recovery plan.

The new agreement states that if they fail to resolve this dispute within six months, it will go to an arbitrator.

In the meantime, the Histadrut is to traosfer the NIS 120m. worth of assets to Clalit immediately.

The remainder of its debt will he repaid with more assets, including some of the Histadiut's stock in Mishan. The entire debt is supposed to

be repaid by June 30.

